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REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Florida.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/25/36.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/16 to 22/36	REPORT MADE BY C. B. Winstead.
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Mrs. Charles O. Long, Sarasota, Fla., last saw Mead in February or March, 1936, in West Palm Beach, Fla. Mead then living Vero Beach, Fla., and had bank account in Orlando, Fla., under name of Niles; and was driving 1936 Ford coach with Florida license plate numerals two one one. She believes her husband now in Chicago. No record of bank account located Orlando or Vero Beach. No car registered St. Lucie County, Fla., to Niles or Mead. No identification of Mead secured at Post Office, Apartment Houses or Realty Agents in Vero Beach. Apparently Potts women not contacting the subjects. Cover placed on Mrs. Long's mail.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agents F. F. Yearsley, Jacksonville, Fla., 11/23/35; W. B. Matney, Detroit, Mich., 3/24/36; and V. E. Criss, Chicago, Ill., 4/14/36.</p> <p>The following is the result of investigation by Special Agent F. F. Yearsley:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">AT SARASOTA, FLORIDA:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The records of the Post Office, Sarasota, Florida, as maintained by Jack Knight, Clerk, reflect that Post office Box 1303 is not a rural box, but is presently rented in the name of CHARLES O. LONG. It was also ascertained that</p>			
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CHARLES O. LONG rented this same box on February 13, 1934, apparently left Sarasota, Florida, for parts unknown, and again rented this same box on October 30, 1934. As far as the records are concerned this box has been rented in the same name since October 30, 1934. However, Mr. Knight is positive that Charles O. Long has not been in Sarasota all of this time, noting that he would be gone for two or three months at a time, but always receiving mail in said post office box. Jack Knight knows Charles O. Long, his wife and associates in and about Sarasota, Florida, and identified the photograph of Long as a close resemblance. Mr. Knight then stated that Mrs. Long's maiden name was Louise E. Stibbs, and that she was presently residing in Sarasota, Florida, with her mother and father at what is known as the Littlefield Home on Siesta Beach, which he understood had been purchased by Charles O. Long, but the details thereof were not known to Mr. Knight. During any absence of Long from Sarasota, Florida, one Taylor C. Scott, Manager of the Peninsular Telephone Co., in Sarasota, took charge of Long's mail, that is, he would secure the mail and if it was forwarded he did so, Long never leaving a forwarding address with the Post Office authorities at any time. According to Jack Knight, Long was "accepted socially" in and about Sarasota, and apparently always had plenty of money as he would entertain lavishly at his beach home, and also at the exclusive beach clubs in and about Sarasota, having no apparent work or business in this community. Further, he was also known as a "Sportsman", spending a great deal of his time fishing, etc., with well respected residents of the community. At no time has Jack Knight ever observed Charles O. Long with anyone resembling LEAD, Knight being familiar with Lead's description, photograph, etc., as he supplied information some time ago in connection with investigation at Sarasota, looking toward the location of Mead, and added that if Mead has been in Sarasota he has not frequented the streets or public places.

Further information concerning Long was not available from this source, that is, his business, Chicago address, associates outside Sarasota, make of car, license, etc. However, at the time of Agent's inquiry, there was a letter in Post Office Box 1303 addressed to THOMAS C. STIBBS, 941 Columbian Ave., Oak Park, Ill., with a return address from Consolidated Oil Corp., 630 5th Ave., New York City. This letter was postmarked April 11, 1936, Madison Square Station, New York, New York.

Mr. R. R. Littlefield, President of the Hazzard Shoe Co., of Gardiner, Maine, residing at 421 Hawthorne Avenue, Sarasota, Florida, confirmed the sale of his beach home to Charles O. Long, but was unable to supply any detailed information as the sale had been handled by Ray Richardson, real estate broker, 316 Main Street, Sarasota, Florida. Mr. Littlefield did state that Charles O. Long was apparently a man of leisure, interested in sports, fishing, etc., and that he entertained lavishly at the exclusive beach clubs in and about Sarasota. However, he

had never attended any of such entertainments, and knew very little concerning Charles O. Long, and nothing of his associates, contacts, business, etc., adding that he had never had any direct dealings with Long, or any social contacts to the best of his recollection.

Mr. Ray Richardson, above mentioned, advised Agent, from his records, that he sold the Littlefield Home to Charles O. Long on May 11, 1933, for a cash consideration of \$5,250.00. According to Mr. Richardson, Charles O. Long appeared at his office seeking to purchase a nice home in a good residential section, and was shown the Littlefield Home, during which display it was stated that some other party was interested in the home. Whereupon Long took from a money belt a \$1,000.00 bill and handed it to Richardson to bind the bargain. A short time thereafter Long gave Richardson another \$1,000.00 to cover repairs, etc., as Richardson was getting the place ready for occupancy. The residence is now insured by Long with the New York Title and Mortgage Co., of New York City for the sum of \$5,000.00. Mr. Richardson insisted that he had no other dealings with Long, that is, in addition to this real estate transaction, the repair of the house and the employment of some one to look after same during Long's absence right after he came to Sarasota and apparently returned to Chicago, Illinois, or vicinity. This absence was in 1933 and Mr. Richardson has several letters from Long written upon the stationery of the Twin Cities Chevrolet, Inc., Benton Harbor, Michigan, all concerning the above noted property, one of which is dated August 2, 1933, and refers to a house boy to care for the property. This letter was secured by Agent for possible handwriting value and is herewith transmitted to the office of origin. Mr. Richardson stated that the house boy, whose name he does not know and of whom he has no record, did not remain at the Long home when they were present, but only in their absence.

Mr. Richardson insisted that he had never associated with the Longs socially at all, and had never observed any one by the name of Mead (or any of his aliases) with Long or at the Long home, and further he had never observed anyone who resembled the photograph or description of Mead with the Longs or in or about Sarasota, Florida.

Mr. Richardson stated that at no time did Long ever mention to Richardson any of his friends or contacts outside of Sarasota, Florida. In fact, Richardson at no time ever observed any strangers with the Longs and does not believe they were ever visited by friends from Chicago, Ill., or other such points. Long at no time discussed or even mentioned the nature of his business, work, etc., but always had plenty of cash money and apparently came from Chicago, Ill. However, he used the above noted stationery for correspondence at times, which led Mr. Richardson to assume he was engaged in the automobile business at Benton Harbor, Michigan. Mr. Richardson confirmed the fact that apparently the Longs were accepted socially in Sarasota, as they entertained frequently and lavishly at the exclusive

beach clubs in and about Sarasota, which entertainments were attended by the better class of people from the community.

Mr. Taylor C. Scott, Manager of the Peninsular Telephone company, Sarasota, Florida, advised Agent that he had been an associate of Long's since a short time after they, the Longs, came to Sarasota, Florida, and he had attended various social functions in Sarasota given by the Longs, and also attended other such functions in company of both Mr. and Mrs. Long. According to Mr. Scott, he has never seen a man resembling the photograph or description of Mead in or about Sarasota, Florida, or in the company of the Longs, and further, at no time has either Mr. or Mrs. Long mentioned the name of Mead or any of his aliases to him. It is the opinion of Mr. Scott that Mead has not been in contact with the Longs in or about Sarasota, but he admitted that Long at no time ever discussed his contacts, friends, business, and other personal matters with him, hence such a contact could have taken place and he would not have known of it. Mr. Scott then stated that his contact with the Longs had dropped off about one year ago, since which time he has not at all talked with Mr. Long, in fact he has feared him as Long believes that the Scotts have had something to do with his domestic troubles. This is due, according to Scott, to the fact that on several occasions when Long would beat his wife she would come to the Scott home for protection, and received same. As a result of this, Mr. Scott has secured a permit to carry a gun.

Mr. Scott further related that he has not seen Long since about the last Christmas Holidays when he was in Sarasota, Florida, for possibly two weeks, but not staying at his home. During this time Long did not contact Mr. Scott. Mr. Scott admitted that his contact with the Longs was, until a year ago, quite intimate, and that when the Longs went to Chicago in 1934, between May and October, he took care of their home and mail and would call for the mail and forward it to Long in Chicago, Ill., the address not being recalled and a record thereof could not be located. However, Mr. Scott seems to think it was somewhere on State Street. Mr. Scott insisted that he does not know the present whereabouts of Long, and is not communicating with him, but in the event he sees him in Sarasota he will observe him and his contacts closely and advise Deputy Sheriff Ed Garner, Sarasota, Florida, who will be referred to subsequently herein.

Concerning long distance telephone calls made by the Longs, Mr. Scott stated that if such calls were made they were not from the residence as he has observed their telephone bills for some time and noted that there was nothing unusual about them, this being done as some time ago (July, 1935) Deputy Sheriff Garner advised that the photograph of Long had appeared in an unrecalled detective magazine as being a wanted man at which time he, Scott, broke off association gradually and took advantage of his office records to learn as much as possible concerning the Longs.

When Charles O. Long was in Sarasota, Florida, during the recent holidays he was driving a Buick sedan automobile, the make (year) or the license number not recalled, but it is thought that the license was an Illinois license. During this last visit Long was in company of the State's Attorney, Henry Williford, Sarasota, Florida, and the two of them drank together a great deal. However, prior to this time these two people had little use for each other and never associated together.

It is recalled that Charles O. Long was alleged to have a bank account in Sarasota, Florida, and in this connection H. W. Whitman, Vice-President, Palmer National Bank, the only bank in Sarasota, advised Agent that he knows Charles O. Long on sight, as well as his wife, and has often wondered about just what his business might be, etc., noting that he has apparently been accepted in Sarasota as a respectable person, but he does not appear to be a person of good background, is rather suspicious in his actions and peculiar generally. This feeling toward Long was aggravated when R. J. Kauffman, a bank auditor associated with Howard-Kroehl Co., 105 West Adams St., Chicago, Ill., was making an audit of the Palmer National Bank in Sarasota back in 1934 and met Long on the street, addressing him by his correct name, which name is not now recalled by Mr. Whitman, at which time Long told Kauffman not to call him by that name but to call him Mr. Long in Sarasota, adding that his name had been changed. According to Mr. Whitman, Kauffman and Long were boyhood friends, went to school together in Chicago and knew each other well, but Kauffman had not seen Long for possibly fifteen years, and could not understand in what manner Long had become wealthy and successful, apparently. During the time that Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman were in Sarasota, Florida, it is believed they visited the Longs in their home. However, further information was not available from Mr. Whitman, except that the Longs had apparently been accepted socially, were flush with money and had no apparent means of livelihood, their actions indicating that they were wealthy as they entertained lavishly at the exclusive beach clubs in the community.

Mr. Whitman advised that he had never observed Mr. Long with anyone resembling the photograph or description of Mead. In fact, he had never seen him with any strangers. Further, that he had never heard mentioned the name of Mead or any of the aliases of Mead in connection with the Longs, and had never seen such a man in Sarasota. According to Mr. Whitman, Long has not been in Sarasota for about one year, that is, he has not observed him. However, upon checking his bank account Mr. Whitman stated that apparently Long had been in Sarasota as late as January 31, 1936, as a deposit to the account had been made on that date.

An examination of this account reflected that same was not unusual, no deposits over \$1200.00 being made. A transcript of the account was made and is retained in the Jacksonville file for possible future use.

Mrs. Charles C. Long, nee Louise Esther Stibbs, was interviewed at her home at Siesta Beach, Sarasota, Florida, and stated that she married Charles C. Long October 11, 1928, at Oak Park, Ill. She is the mother of one child, a girl aged nineteen months, and presently her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Stibbs, reside with her at this address, and have been there since September, 1935, and have not occupied their home at 941 Columbia Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois, since that time. Mrs. Long insisted that her husband had not been in Sarasota, Florida, for the past year, except for a short time during the recent Christmas holidays to see his daughter, adding that she does not know where he now could be located, and insisting that if she did know she would not inform Agent, or any other law enforcement officer as she knows he is wanted, and for things other than questioning. Mrs. Long insisted that she knew no one by the name of Mead or by the name of any of his aliases, and further that she did not know Mead by his photograph or description, stating that if her husband knew him he had never mentioned such fact to her.

It was apparent that Mrs. Long, regardless of her feeling toward her husband, was not going to supply any information of value to this or any other matter, as she appeared to have no use for law enforcement officers, and obviously was afraid of her husband or his contacts should she divulge information of value. She stated that she knew her husband had a criminal record when she married him, and that she had been accused of being a "stool".

Agent spent considerable time with Mrs. Long, attempting to secure some information of value, but she would not divulge such and stated that if she had such information she would not divulge it. She then stated that there was only one law enforcement officer that she had any faith in and that was Ed Garner of the Sheriff's Office in Sarasota. However, upon Agent's suggestion that Ed Garner be requested to come to the Long home, Mrs. Long did not want this done. Mrs. Long did admit that at one time her husband operated the Twin Cities Chevrolet, Inc., at Benton Harbor, Michigan, but stated that he did not now operate this concern. All efforts to secure information concerning the possible whereabouts of Mead, his activities, connections with Mr. Long, associates, etc., from Mrs. Long met with negative results, it being apparent that she was concealing, and would not supply, any such information.

Subsequent to Agent's interview with Mrs. Long, and on the following day, she contacted Deputy Sheriff Ed Garner at the Sheriff's Office in Sarasota, and admitted she had lied to Agent, and informed him that she did know both Mr. and Mrs. William Elmer Mead, as did her husband, and that during the latter part of February or the early part of March, 1936, she had seen the Meads at the George Washington Hotel in West Palm Beach, Florida, and that Meads were then living in Vero Beach, Florida, and that Mead had a bank account in some bank in Orlando, Florida, under the name of NILES. Further that

Mead was driving a new 1936 Ford V-8 coach, bearing 1936 Florida license, the first three numbers thereof being "211". According to Ed Garner, whom Agent has found to be reliable in the past, this is the only information supplied by Mrs. Long concerning Mead. However, Garner will keep in touch with her and immediately report any additional information available from her to the Jacksonville Office direct, which was done by Mr. Garner in this instance, it being confirmed by Agent by telephone immediately thereafter. Mrs. Long also informed Mr. Garner that her husband had talked with her by telephone from Chicago, Ill., about two weeks ago, but she did not know where he could be located in Chicago.

While Agent was in Sarasota, and before Mrs. Long contacted Deputy Sheriff Garner, the latter was interviewed and advised that he knew both Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Long well, and had aided Mrs. Long in her domestic troubles with Long, adding that he knew Mrs. Long was afraid of her husband and worried for fear that he would cause her trouble if she caused him any trouble of any kind, which was probably the reason she would not supply Agent with any information. Mr. Garner stated that he did not believe Mead had been in or about Sarasota, Florida, at least he had not observed anyone resembling the photograph of Mead, or corresponding to his description, or using the name of Mead or his aliases, in or about Sarasota, and had no such person reported as being there. Garner feels that had such a person been in contact with Long in Sarasota, Mr. T. C. Scott would have known about it due to his contact with Mrs. Long, adding that T. C. Scott would have reported any strangers with Long to him, Ed Garner.

It is also noted that Mead is alleged to have secured a hunting dog in Florida during 1935, and in this connection Mrs. Long mentioned that they had attempted to raise hunting dogs in Florida, but it could not be done due to the ticks, fleas, etc. She was not further questioned on this point as she had declined to furnish other information and it was not felt advisable to do so at this time.

Henry Williford, State's Attorney, 6th Floor, Palmer National Bank Building, Sarasota, Florida, was interviewed, and admitted associating with Long during the recent Christmas holidays, drinking with him at the Tropical Gardens, but denied that he knew the present whereabouts of Long, his business connections, contacts, friends, etc., except those in Sarasota, and also that he had ever seen anyone with Long who resembled Mead by photograph or description, and that the name of Mead or any of the aliases used by Mead were never mentioned by Long as a friend, associate or contact. The other information set forth in this report concerning the Longs was confirmed by Mr. Williford, who is a close friend of Deputy Sheriff Garner, and who will contact Garner if and when Long again appears in Sarasota, and Garner will immediately notify the Jacksonville Office.



It is recalled that previous investigation has been made in Sarasota, Florida, relative to Ruth and Ada Potts being possible contacts for the subjects of this case, as reflected in the reports of Agent dated at Jacksonville, Florida, November 23, 1935 and October 19, 1935, and in this connection Jack Knight, Post Office Clerk, Sarasota, advised that he has not observed anyone in or about the Potts residence who resembled Mead or the subjects of this case. In fact, no strangers or out-of-State autos have been observed. Further, that he has been keeping a close watch on all mail addressed to the Potts women, and has observed nothing of possible value to the instant matter. Further, that Carrier Williams has not reported anything unusual in or about the Potts residence. Jack Knight then advised that on April 11, 1936, Ruth and Ada Potts moved to the Central Park Manor Hotel, which is not a good class hotel, and that all their mail has been sent there since that date, but he does not think Ruth Potts is living there, as mail has been received from her by Ada Potts recently from Chicago, Ill., the return address not now being known. At such time as this address is available, Jack Knight will supply same to the Jacksonville Office.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bright, 137 5th Street, Sarasota, Florida, advised Agent that about the middle of March, 1936, Ruth Potts left suddenly for Chicago, Ill., in a car bearing Indiana license, the make of the car being unknown, but she stated she was going to visit her brother, who was visiting in Sarasota during the past season, and reported in Agent's reports above referred to. This automobile was occupied by a man and a woman but the man did not resemble the subjects of this case. This man and woman had visited at the Potts home before this departure, but their identity was never determined. Ada Potts informed Mr. and Mrs. Bright that her sister Ruth was going to Chicago, Ill., to visit a brother and may come back soon. In any event, she left the child's toys with the Brights. According to the Brights Mrs. E. A. Mead, of Sarasota, Florida, and Chicago, Ill., ceased visiting the Potts women several months ago and little is known about her at the present. However, it has been established that she is not the wife of William Elmer Mead, and this angle of the matter is not being considered further.

A cover was placed upon the mail of Mrs. Charles O. Long for a period of thirty days, and the tracings are being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office.

At the present time Mrs. Long is attempting to dispose of her home through Mr. Richardson, but he stated it would be impossible to sell same as Charles O. Long would have to sign the deed. However, if a sale can be made and Mrs. Long will produce Long to sign the deed, he will handle the matter and advise the Jacksonville Office immediately.

Deputy Sheriff Ed Garner also advised Agent that sometime in July,

1935, one Allen Clark, employed by the West Coast Lumber Co., Sarasota, Florida, observed the photograph of Charles O. Long in a detective magazine as being wanted and identified same, bringing the matter to the attention of the Sheriff's Office, and immediately the bureau was requested to supply any and all information concerning LONG, and as a result thereof the Bureau supplied the following criminal record:

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[REDACTED]

At the time of ascertaining that Long was in Sarasota, Florida, the Sheriff's Office communicated with the above noted points where Long was alleged to be wanted, and they all stated that they would not come for him; hence he was not arrested by the Sheriff's Office at Sarasota, Florida.



## AT ORLANDO, FLORIDA:

The following is the result of investigation at Orlando, Florida, by the writer on April 21 and 22, 1936,

The records of new, closed and inactive accounts of the Florida National Bank at Orlando were checked by this Agent for the name of Niles, or Miles, Giles and all variations of those names, without result. Also these names were checked as possible renters of safety deposit boxes, without result. Also Savings Department accounts in the above names were checked, without result. Photographs of William Elmer Mead were displayed to the employees of this bank and, while some claimed that they believed they had seen him, no definite information was obtainable.

Asst. to the President, I. L. Cook, First National Bank, Orlando, was very cooperative in this investigation, and every available record in his bank was checked on April 21 and 22nd without locating any account which might have been William Elmer Mead's in any of his known aliases, and particularly Niles, Miles and Giles, and their variations. This search included savings accounts, closed, inactive and active accounts and safety deposit box renters. Photographs of Mead were displayed to the employees of that bank also. Both Mr. E. E. Leggett, Assistant Cashier and Mr. I. L. Cook, Assistant to the President of this bank, stated that they are almost positive they have seen Mead in that bank during the vacation period just closed in Florida, but they never could remember under what circumstances or why they remembered it. None of the employees could recall having handled a check for Mead.

## AT VERO BEACH, FLORIDA:

Inquiry of Postmaster Joe Schumann and Mrs. Phyllis M. Deppen at Vero Beach resulted in no information concerning Mead at the Post Office; but by displaying his photographs to the clerks in the Post Office, General Delivery Clerk Howard Ingalls recalled that during the past season, dates not recalled, several pieces of mail had been received at the Vero Beach Post Office addressed to --- Niles, all of which mail had remained in the Post Office for a period of time and was then returned to the senders, except one postal card which was destroyed. Mr. Ingalls stated that he could not recall at what places this mail had originated, nor from what places it had been forwarded to Vero Beach. Mr. Ingalls could not recall what initials had been used preceding the name Niles.

## AT FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA:

It was ascertained by Special Agent in Charge P. B. Nathan that 1936 Florida license plates beginning with the numerals two hundred eleven

thousand are issued in St. Lucie County, Florida, of which Fort Pierce is the county seat, Fort Pierce being only fourteen miles from Vero Beach. That a portion of the two hundred eleven thousand series of Florida license plates are assigned to Santa Rosa County, which is in the western part of the State. Tax Collector Orris Nobles, of St. Lucie County, at Fort Pierce, assisted Agent in checking his records of automobile license plates issued. The records disclosed that on January 15, 1936, tag number 211,000 was issued to Mr. Nobles himself, and that the tags in this series have been issued subsequent to that up to 211,700. Agent and Mr. Nobles checked the record of each and every license in this series issued for St. Lucie County but none appeared to have been issued in any name known to have been used by Mead.

At the Post Office in Fort Pierce, Florida, none of the clerks could recognize Mead from his photograph as any person they could recall seeing during the past season.

#### AT VERO BEACH, FLORIDA:

On April 22, 1936, Agent contacted Mr. E. A. Helseth, proprietor of the Ford Agency, and from his records nothing could be determined as to either repair work or automobiles sold to William E. Mead. Mr. Helseth, however, after viewing Mead's photograph, stated that in some ways the photograph resembled an old man who was there during the season and who passed by his agency; that this man had a shaggy dog of some kind, but drove a 1934 Ford coach; that he never paid any particular attention to him as he assumed he was a tourist.

Agent then checked apartment houses in Vero Beach, and none of the Managers thereof contacted could identify Mead as having been a tenant during the season.

Mr. A. A. Sullivan, Assistant Cashier, Indian River Citrus Bank, Vero Beach, could not recall ever having seen Mead, after viewing his photographs, and stated that he has no such name as Niles, Miles, or variations thereof, in his records as a customer of that bank.

Miss Catherine D. Ricks, Real Estate Agent, Helen Luly, and other real estate agents, and their employees, at Vero Beach, were contacted, and none could recall having rented an apartment to Mead during the past season.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

The JACKSONVILLE OFFICE, at Sarasota, Florida, will keep in touch with Deputy Sheriff Ed Garner for any information developed concerning Long or Mead through Mrs. Long. Also will keep a watch upon the mail cover on the Long mail. Will endeavor to gain the confidence of Mrs. Long.

PENDING

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-9

REPORT MADE AT <b>Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-30-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-24-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. C. STRICKLAND</b> <span style="float: right;">mla</span>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS, w.a., FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, w. a., FUGITIVE, I. O. #1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w. a., FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT</b>
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Records Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Indianapolis, Indiana fail to disclose any automobiles registered in the name of Fer I. Ahman or Charles Levi. Records of drivers licenses for motor vehicle bureau reveal chauffeurs license issued on 1-1-35 to Charles H. Levi, Rushville, Indiana. Leads set forth to ascertain whether Charles H. Levi is identical with William Elmer Mead.</b>			
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Reference:		Report of Special Agent D. D. Brindle, Indianapolis, Indiana 3-20-36.	
Details:		<b>AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA</b>	
<p>The writer examined the records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State House, which failed to reveal any automobile registered in the name of Fer I. Ahman or Charles Levi.</p> <p>The writer also checked the applications for drivers and chauffeurs licenses for the years 1935 and 1936 wherein the records for 1935 reveal that on January 1, 1935 chauffeurs license number 45663 was issued to Charles H. Levi, 211 Palo Alto Street, Rushville, Indiana. The following is the physical description of Charles H. Levi as appeared on the above mentioned application for chauffeurs license:</p>			
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Name: CHARLES H. LEVI  
Age: 45  
Birth date: 10-14-89  
Height: 5' 10"  
Weight: 180  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Brown  
Race: White  
Sex: Male

It should be noted here that the above mentioned records failed to reveal any application for chauffeurs or drivers license for any person by the name of Fer I. Ahman.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

##### INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE at Rushville, Indiana

Will discreetly endeavor to ascertain if Charles H. Levi, 211-Palo Alto Street, is identical or resembles William Elmer Mead. Efforts should also be made to ascertain whether Charles H. Levi was in Evansville, Indiana on or about March 5, 1936 accompanying a person by the name of Fer I. Ahman.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: THOMAS HENRY ROBINSON, JR.,  
with aliases, Fugitive, I.O.  
#1233; Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll,  
Victim: KIDNAPING.

With reference to placing the photograph of Thomas  
Henry Robinson, Jr. in various publications as instructed by the  
Bureau on March 25, 1936, the following suggestion is offered.

Major Bowes of New York City issues a magazine known  
as the Major Bowes Magazine which has a wide circulation. This  
magazine is read extensively by housewives, housekeepers and  
boarding house operators. It has occurred to me that it might  
be well to effect an arrangement with the editor of the Major  
Bowes Magazine whereby the photographs of Thomas Henry Robinson,  
Jr., Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and William Dainard might ap-  
pear, with sufficient data as to each, in each publication of  
the Major Bowes Magazine for a sufficient length of time.

Yours very truly,

L. B. REED,  
Special Agent.

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MEMORANDUM

RE: Conversation of Director  
and Mr. Tamm.

Mr. Hoover telephoned from New York City and Mr. Hoover stated that he had reservations on the night plane for New Orleans; that Mr. Whitley is trying to make arrangements for a chartered plane which will probably leave within the next hour. Mr. Hoover stated that if the plane stops in Washington he would like to see some of the memorandums and background for him. Mr. Hoover stated that if the plane stops at Mobile he will have a car meet him; that he will keep in touch with the New Orleans office by radio in order to be advised of any developments or excitement. Mr. Tamm called Mr. Hoover's attention to possible interception of radio messages by other people. Mr. Hoover stated that if the plane arrives in Washington without it being known he will go on into New Orleans. Mr. Tamm stated that New Orleans is about sixty five miles from Mobile, that is, by air mileage. Mr. Hoover stated that he would have Magee make reservations in New Orleans for him, but not under his, Mr. Hoover's name.

Mr. Tamm advised that Grace Goldstein has been with Connelley and after three hours questioning, she has given the exact address in New Orleans. Mr. Tamm stated that all that has been recommended to her is that we would definitely recommend to the U. S. Attorney that she and Carnie Morris, who is the prostitute with Fred Hunter, not be prosecuted for harboring; that she also wanted us to promise that her family would not be prosecuted for harboring. Mr. Tamm stated that we do not have a case against them and she was promised this. Mr. Tamm stated that she does not want any money and Mr. Hoover stated that we would pay her anyway. Mr. Tamm advised that the apartment is on a boulevard on a very busy corner; that it is a three story apartment house with only one apartment on each floor of the building; that Karpis is on the first floor; that Mr. Connelley is out now looking the place over. Mr. Hoover was advised that there are twelve men in New Orleans; that Brentley, Buchanan and Hurt were going over from Dallas. Mr. Hoover stated that if Connelley wanted any more men, Glavin and Gurnea could board the plane when it stops at Washington. Mr. Tamm was instructed to have Glavin and Gurnea stand by.

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Mr. Tamm advised of a call from Mr. McMahon who advised that the Federal Grand Jury in New Jersey had gone to Quinn, the U. S. Attorney insisting that he get into the Wendel matter. Mr. Hoover stated that this matter was being handled by the Attorney General and himself. Mr. Hoover

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Conversation of Director and  
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told Mr. Tamm that if Mr. McMahon calls again to tell him that he, Mr. Tamm has talked to him, Mr. Hoover, about the matter and that he had been in conference up there with Mr. Wilents, Colonel Schwarzkopf, and the New York people; that we are not going to get into this matter unless the Attorney General specifically directs it.

Mr. Hoover inquired of Mr. Tamm if Mr. McMahon had changed his views relative to the West Coast matter. Mr. Tamm stated that he has not talked to Mr. McMahon about this. Mr. Tamm stated that he would go over the matter with Mr. Hanson on his way back to Los Angeles. Mr. Hoover stated that in talking the matter over with the Attorney General, the Attorney General stated that we were to go ahead on the matter.

Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Hanson desired to have a week of leave in Birmingham on account of his wife's illness. Mr. Hoover stated that this will be all right.

Mr. Tamm talked to Mr. Whitley in New York with reference to the chartered plane. Mr. Tamm stated that the plane might be chartered in a private name and pay cash. Mr. Whitley stated that he was using official names; that they have to use the official names in order to get the service. Mr. Tamm stated that Mr. Quinn suggested that we go in as private citizens and pay cash for the chartered plane. Mr. Whitley stated that we could probably do this but that he thought it would raise more questions. Mr. Whitley stated that he has used the name of the Bureau and has only contact with two people.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>St. Louis, Mo.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4-28-36</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4-7, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 to 25-36</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. S. BUSH</b> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>JSB:F</b></div>
TITLE <b>ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O.#1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases I.O.#1236; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Telephone calls were made on 3-30-36 from telephone number 246 located at public booth DeSoto, Mo. by Grace Voisey alias Barbara Bradley in an effort to communicate with Grace Goldstein, Mary or Pauline at Hot Springs, Ark. and efforts were also made by Grace Voisey to reach one McLochlun at the Kingsway Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark. telephone number 38, on the same day. She also endeavored to communicate with one Joe Binder at Hot Springs, Ark. telephone number 1412 on the same date. Several persons who saw Binder in DeSoto, Mo. during the latter part of March, 1936 state that photograph of Fred Hunter bears a strong resemblance to Binder but others state that Binder and Hunter are not identical. Grace Voisey talked with Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Ark. on 3-30-36 from telephone number 61 at DeSoto, Mo. which is located in the office of the Wall Motor Co. and apparently wanted Grace Goldstein to deliver a message for her. Grace Voisey, who claims to be the wife of Joe Binder and has a baby boy which she claims is Binder's son, is believed to be in Hot Springs with Binder at this time. Investigation thus far fails to indicate that Grace Goldstein or anyone else involved in this case has been in the vicinity of 4450 Pennsylvania Ave., St. Louis, Mo. to which address a telephone call was made from the Hatterie Hotel in Hot Springs. Information procured at DeSoto, Mo. regarding Cummings who resides at the Pennsylvania Ave. address in St. Louis, indicates that he and his family enjoyed a good reputation while residing at DeSoto, Mo.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Jay E. Newman</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <i>P.</i>	
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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Ark. dated 4-16-36;  
Letters from the St. Louis Office to the Little Rock & Chicago Offices dated 4-14-36 and 4-16-36.

DETAILS:

It will be observed in the letters of reference that efforts were made at St. Louis, Missouri and East St. Louis, Illinois to ascertain whether Grace Goldstein was known at these places and efforts were also made to determine whether Grace Goldstein, the black Great Dane dog, or anyone else connected with this case had been observed at 4450 Pennsylvania Ave., St. Louis, Missouri which is the residence of M. W. Cummings, who is employed by the Missouri Pacific Railroad. It will be recalled that a long distance telephone call was made from Telephone 3421 listed in the name of the Hatterie Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas to telephone number Riverside 3809 located in the Cummings home at 4450 Pennsylvania Ave., St. Louis at 11:52 P.M. on March 10, 1936. A surveillance of the premises at 4450 Pennsylvania Ave. has been maintained from time to time by agents of this office since April 11, 1936, however no suspicious persons or cars have been observed in the neighborhood and there is nothing to indicate that persons at that address are any way connected with the individuals involved in this case.

It was ascertained from Mr. H. C. Nouss, Special Agent of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, St. Louis, Missouri that the following were the only long distant telephone calls made from telephone Riverside 3809 during the months of February and March, 1936:

One call to DeSoto, Missouri telephone number 722 which is listed in the name of E. C. Armbruster who resides on a rural route near DeSoto, Missouri.

One call to Collinsville, Illinois telephone number 91.

(Agent ascertained at the telephone office in Collinsville, Illinois that this telephone is listed in the name of Dr. J. H. Siegel who resides at 302 South Morrison St., Collinsville, Illinois and maintains an office at 113A West Main St., Collinsville, Illinois.)

One call was made to telephone number Tri-City 397W.

(It was ascertained by agent at Granite City, Illinois that this telephone is listed in the name of Miss Alice M. Noon who resides in an apartment at 1415 Weidringhaus St., Granite City, Illinois and is employed as a cooking instructor by the Illinois Light and Power Company, Granite City, Illinois.)

It was ascertained from Officers of the Morality Squad of the St. Louis Police Department as well as from George Byrnes the Chief of Detectives, East St. Louis, Illinois Police Department, that they had never known anyone named Grace Goldstein nor had they known of a Jewess in St. Louis, Missouri or East St. Louis, Illinois who had operated a house of prostitution or who had been in any way connected with a place of this type.

It is observed in report of reference that long distance telephone calls were made to the Hatterie Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas from telephones 61 and 346 located at DeSoto, Missouri.

It was ascertained through Special Agent Nouss of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, St. Louis, Missouri that telephone number 346 in DeSoto, Missouri is a three-party line, the telephones being listed and identified as follows:

346 Red - George Blank;  
346 White - W. L. Whaley;  
346 Blue - Forrest Mountford.

It was also ascertained from Mr. Nouss that telephone number 61 in DeSoto, Missouri is listed in the name of the Wall Motor Company, DeSoto, Missouri.

#### AT DE SOTO, MISSOURI

The following information was procured by agent from Mr. W. Ames, a clerk in the Post Office, who has resided in DeSoto all of his life and from other postal employees:

George Blank is 45 years of age, has resided in DeSoto all of his life, was never involved in trouble of any kind, is presently a city alderman and is employed at the local factory of the International Shoe Company as a shoe worker.

W. L. Whaley is 50 years of age, has resided at DeSoto for approximately 20 years, enjoys a good reputation and is employed as a car repairman in the local Missouri Pacific Railroad Shops.

Forrest Mountford is 65 years of age, enjoys a good reputation and is employed as a maintenance man in the local Missouri Pacific Railroad Shops.

The Wall Motor Company is owned by Frank Wall who is approximately 45 years of age and has resided at DeSoto for a number of years. Wall has the agency for Plymouth and DeSoto automobiles in DeSoto.

With reference to E. C. Armbruster, it will be noted in the foregoing that a telephone call was made from the Cummings residence in St. Louis to the Armbruster telephone DeSoto number 722. Armbruster is a farmer approximately 50 years of age and resides on a farm 2 3/4 miles east of town with his wife and a small child which they have adopted. Mrs. Armbruster is a sister of Mrs. M. W. Cummings of 4450 Pennsylvania Ave., St. Louis, therefore it would appear that the call made from the Cummings residence in St. Louis to the Armbruster residence in DeSoto probably had nothing to do with persons involved in this case. Armbruster is also a plasterer and worked at various places throughout the State of Arkansas during the past winter, therefore, it would appear possible that the call from the Hatterie Hotel in Hot Springs, Arkansas to the Cummings home in St. Louis could have been made by Armbruster in view of the fact that Mr. Ames stated that Mrs. Cummings of St. Louis is an invalid and Mrs. Armbruster of DeSoto visits Mrs. Cummings frequently. Mr. Ames stated that M. W. Cummings and his wife who formerly resided at DeSoto, Missouri enjoyed good reputations there as do Armbruster and his wife. He further stated that Armbruster formerly resided at Granite City, Illinois and that possibly Armbruster and the Cummings have relatives at Granite City Illinois, however he did not know whether Miss Alice M. Noon of Granite City, Illinois who received a telephone call from the Cummings residence, as indicated in the foregoing, is connected with either one of these families. Armbruster is a native of DeSoto, Missouri and his daughter Hester Armbruster formerly taught in the public schools there.

DeSoto, Missouri is a town of only 5,000 population and neither Mr. Ames nor any of the other Post Office employees, all of whom had resided in DeSoto for a great number of years, had known anyone named Barbara Bradley. With the assistance of Mr. Ames, agent conducted an extensive investigation of persons employed at the Wall Motor Company and persons residing in the vicinity of the party line 346; also in connection with various girls named Barbara residing at DeSoto; however, no information of value was procured regarding anyone who possibly had connections at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Upon checking the records at the local telephone office, of all of the calls made during the latter part of March, 1936, it was ascertained that on March 30, 1936 a call was made from telephone number

246, which is a public booth located in the office of the telephone company, to telephone number 38 Hot Springs, Arkansas, also to telephone number 3421 Hot Springs, Arkansas, however the parties did not talk, owing to the fact that the Hot Springs party refused to accept the charges. Further examination of the records in the office of the telephone company revealed the following information:

One Barbara Bradley placed a call at public telephone booth 246 to one McLochlon room #180 Kingsway Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas telephone number 38 sometime after 6:00 P.M. on March 30, 1936, however either McLochlon or the person answering the telephone number 38, refused to accept the charge and the parties did not talk.

At 2:35 P.M. on March 30, 1936 Barbara Bradley placed a call at telephone number 246 to telephone number 3421 Hot Springs, Arkansas asking for Grace Goldstein. She was advised that Grace was out. She then asked for Mary or Pauline but the person at Hot Springs refused to accept the charge and no conversation took place.

Barbara Bradley then endeavored to reach one Joe Binder at telephone number 1412 Hot Springs, Arkansas but he likewise refused to accept the charge and no conversation occurred.

A further examination of the records revealed that although Barbara Bradley did not succeed in talking to anyone from telephone number 246, she did talk to Grace Goldstein at telephone 3421 Hot Springs from telephone number 61 located in the office of the Wall Motor Company in DeSoto at 7:10 P.M. on March 30, 1936 at which time Barbara paid eighty cents for the call plus ten cents tax.

Miss Iva Bush, the telephone operator on duty when attempts were made by Barbara Bradley to communicate with persons in Hot Springs from telephone number 246, was interviewed and stated she remembered the incident well and that the best description she could furnish of the girl giving the name Barbara Bradley is that she is about 20 years of age (it was subsequently ascertained that Barbara Bradley is 18 years of age), has red hair, is small and well built, probably has blue eyes, wears heavy make-up, was well dressed in a gray suit and spoke of having a small child which she left with a Mrs. Maniss while she was at the telephone office. In

explanation of her attempts to reach the persons at Hot Springs, Barbara Pradley told Miss Bush that she did not have a cent and wanted to go to Hot Springs. Miss Bush stated that Barbara Bradley, in her opinion, had not resided at DeSoto for any length of time as she, Miss Bush, knows virtually everyone residing in DeSoto.

Thereafter, agent interviewed Mrs. T. B. Maniss and Mrs. John Maniss of DeSoto who stated they had never heard of Barbara Bradley and had kept no children for anyone on March 30, 1936.

Mr. Frank Wall and several employees of the Wall Motor Company were interviewed and it was ascertained that the person giving the name Barbara Bradley had called someone in Hot Springs, Arkansas on March 30, 1936 at which time she paid for the call as indicated in the foregoing; that very little of the conversation was heard by persons in the office of the Wall Motor Company, however it was believed that Barbara Bradley was endeavoring to induce the person in Hot Springs to accommodate her in some manner or deliver a message, owing to the fact that the conversation ended when Barbara Bradley said "So, you won't do it then".

It was ascertained from Mr. Wall that Barbara Bradley whom he knew by the name of Grace Voisey, had left DeSoto when she was a small child, with her mother who at that time was Mrs. Ernest Voisey and that Grace Voisey had visited DeSoto only occasionally since she left and on such occasions she visited Mrs. Grace Manning, wife of Bob Manning, 812 South Main St.; that it was Mrs. Manning and not Mrs. Maniss who kept the small child for Grace Voisey on March 30, 1936. Mr. Wall further stated that Grace Voisey's mother had re-married a number of years ago and he knew nothing regarding her present husband, however Ernest Voisey presently resides at DeSoto, Missouri. Mr. Wall advised agent not to contact Ernest Voisey as he probably would furnish no information of value regarding Grace Voisey, her mother or their associates. Mr. Wall also stated that the telephone call was made from his place of business on Sunday and on the following Wednesday Grace Voisey borrowed \$1.75 from him and supposedly left that night on a Missouri Pacific Train for Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. Wall stated that Grace Voisey had been in his place of business on one or two occasions since January 1, 1936, with an individual who was unknown to Mr. Wall or his employees, for minor repairs and parts on a 1935 model black Ford Coach bearing Indiana license plates, number unknown, the only information available being

that a door handle had been installed on the Ford Coach and no records were kept of the motor number owing to the fact that it was a cash sale; however, it was ascertained that the individual known as Joe Binder represented himself to Mr. Wall as a salesman for Star Novelties and that cardboards or paper stickers on the rear side windows of the Ford Coach bore either the lettering "Star Novelties" or "Star Merchandise". It was also ascertained that Binder had a supply of razor blades, handkerchiefs and other miscellaneous small articles. Binder indicated to Mr. Wall that he would like to rent some cabins which Mr. Wall owns near DeSoto and open a gambling house near the cabins, stating that he was also a fight promoter and specifically mentioned that he promoted chicken fights, according to Mr. Wall, and endeavored to interest Mr. Wall in the gambling house proposition, however, Mr. Wall manifested no interest in the proposition and Binder left DeSoto after having been there three or four days. Mr. Wall stated he was suspicious of Binder owing to the fact that he did not attempt to sell any of his merchandise in DeSoto and on the occasion when he paid for the door handle he wrote a check on the American Bank of DeSoto, but on the following day brought in cash for the door handle and destroyed the check. Agent subsequently ascertained at the American Bank, which is the only bank in DeSoto, that Binder had never had an account there under any of his aliases and was unknown at the bank. Mr. Wall also advised agent that Binder appeared to be well supplied with money and was well dressed.

Photographs of Milton Lett, Sam Coker, Grace Goldstein, Fred Hunter, Karpis and Campbell were exhibited to Mr. Wall and his shop employees and they immediately stated that the photograph of Fred Hunter bears a strong resemblance to Joe Binder, however that Joe Binder appeared somewhat older than the photograph of Fred Hunter, also that Binder looks more "slicked up" than the photograph of Fred Hunter. The shop foreman as well as another shop employee at the Wall Motor Company, stated, upon observing the photograph of Fred Hunter "If that's not Joe Binder, it must be his twin brother".

Mr. Wall, who is well acquainted with Mrs. Grace Manning, wife of Bob Manning, accompanied agent to the Manning residence where Mrs. Manning was interviewed. Mr. Wall had previously advised agent that Mrs. Manning was employed in the home of Grace Voisey's mother a number of years ago when Grace Voisey was a small child.

Mrs. Manning stated that she had never seen the individual known to her as Joe Binder and the husband of Grace Voisey until sometime during the month of January or February, 1936 when he



arrived in DeSoto in the aforementioned automobile with Grace Voisey. She also stated that she had not seen Grace Voisey for a period of approximately two or three years prior to that time; that on the first occasion when Binder and Grace Voisey came to DeSoto, they stopped for a day at some rooms located above the Theodoro Cafe in DeSoto and from the conversations she had with them, they claimed that they had come from some place in Indiana and were on their way to visit some of Binder's relatives in California, but upon leaving DeSoto, they stopped at Hot Springs, Arkansas because they were broke. Mrs. Manning seemed to be unable to approximate the dates on which these individuals were in DeSoto but stated that, to the best of her recollection, they were in DeSoto on the Sunday before Easter at which time they stopped for two or three nights at the Theodoro Rooms, after which Binder went back to Hot Springs, Arkansas in his automobile and Grace Voisey went by way of bus to some point in Indiana where her mother Mrs. Pearl Mahler resides. She stated that two or three days later, Grace Voisey returned by bus from the place in Indiana bringing with her a baby boy approximately 2 1/2 years of age which, according to the story told by Grace Voisey, is Grace Voisey's child and the son of Joe Binder. She stated that Grace Voisey said this child's name is Harold Joseph Binder and that Grace Voisey and her mother, Mrs. Pearl Mahler, had quite a fight over the custody of the child and that Grace Voisey forcibly took the child from Mrs. Mahler and returned it to DeSoto on the aforementioned occasion. Mrs. Manning stated that she indicated to Grace Voisey that she did not believe Grace and Joe were married whereupon Grace exhibited to her a marriage license, but she, Mrs. Manning, was "so taken off my feet to see the marriage license" that she did not notice the names on the marriage license or the name of the State where it was issued. Grace Voisey told Mrs. Manning that she and Joe Binder had been married three or four years and Joe Binder indicated to Mrs. Manning that he was from Chicago, Illinois but furnished no information regarding his occupation or connections except to state that he was planning on renting some cabins near DeSoto and also indicated to Mrs. Manning that he was selling the merchandise referred to in the foregoing. Mrs. Manning had never heard Grace Voisey using the name Barbara Bradley but exhibited to agent a letter which she had received from Grace Voisey postmarked "Hot Springs, Arkansas, March 6, 1936" and bearing the return address "Mrs. Grace Binder, Hot Springs, Arkansas". She also had told Mrs. Manning on another occasion that her mail should be addressed to Mrs. Grace Binder, c/o Barbara Bradley, 511 Quapaw St., Hot Springs, Arkansas, however, Mrs. Manning assumed that Barbara Bradley was an associate of Grace Voisey at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mrs. Manning stated that prior to the time Grace left DeSoto with the aforementioned child for Hot Springs, Arkansas, which, to the best of her recollection was on Wednesday night, April 1, 1936, Joe

Binder had left for Hot Springs, Arkansas in the Ford automobile and Grace had indicated to Mrs. Manning that Joe had gotten into trouble at Hot Springs, and was in jail. She stated that she had been unable to determine what the nature of the trouble was but remembered that upon receipt of a telegram from Joe Binder, Grace had wept until she was almost hysterical. In this connection, Mrs. Manning stated that Grace had told her she had Joe "wrapped around her finger" and that he would immediately return to DeSoto if she sent him a telegram to do so, however Grace Voisey had sent him a telegram at Hot Springs, Arkansas on March 28, 1936 telling him that she was sick and requesting that he return to DeSoto but that he refused to do so stating that he had no money. Mrs. Manning exhibited to agent a copy of this telegram which will be hereinafter mentioned.

Photographs of the individuals which were exhibited to the employees of the Wall Motor Company were also exhibited to Mrs. Manning but she stated that none of these photographs bore a resemblance to Joe Binder, adding that although the description of Fred Hunter is somewhat similar to that of Joe Binder, Fred Hunter has gray eyes whereas she is positive that Joe Binder has dark brown eyes. Mrs. Manning stated that she did not know what type of work Joe Binder is engaged in at Hot Springs, Arkansas and has not heard from them since they left DeSoto, however she became quite attached to Grace Voisey's child and is anxious to have Grace Voisey and particularly the child returned to DeSoto, Missouri. She stated that Grace Voisey manifested very little affection for the child while she was in DeSoto and it is Mrs. Manning's opinion that Grace Voisey took the child away from her mother "for spite only". Mrs. Manning stated that she would assist agent in any way possible in an effort to locate Grace Voisey and ascertain what disposition she made of the child and furnished agent with a photograph of Grace Voisey and another girl, name unknown, which was taken in front of a log cabin in Hot Springs, Arkansas bearing the following lettering: "Our Summer Home in Hot Springs, 216 Central Ave." This photograph is being forwarded to the Little Rock Office and it is requested that it be returned to the St. Louis Office immediately upon completion of investigation, as Mrs. Manning insisted that the photograph be returned to her.

Mrs. Manning stated she knew nothing whatever regarding Joe Binder or his connections but is now of the opinion that Grace Voisey should not associate with him any longer and assured agent that she will communicate with this office immediately upon receipt of information concerning their present whereabouts and indicated that she believes they will return to DeSoto, Missouri sometime within the .

next month or so.

It was ascertained from Mr. W. O. Chalk at the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company located in the Missouri Pacific Railroad station that at 8:12 P.M. on March 27, 1936 the following telegram was sent to Joe Binder, Lane Apartments, Hot Springs, Arkansas:

"COME AT ONCE YOUR WIFE IS SICK

(signed) BOB MANNING "

Mr. Chalk stated that this telegram apparently was delivered to the telegraph office but knew nothing with reference to the identity of the persons who delivered the telegram to that office.

At 2:25 P.M. on March 28, 1936 another telegram was telephoned to the Western Union Telegraph office to be sent to Joe Binder at the same address at Hot Springs, Arkansas as follows:

"YOU MUST COME IMMEDIATELY

(signed) BOB "

At 1:20 P.M. on March 28, 1936 the following telegram was received by the Western Union Telegraph Company at DeSoto from Hot Springs, Arkansas:

"BOB MANNING  
c/o WESTERN UNION,  
DE SOTO, MISSOURI

CANNOT COME HAVE NO MONEY SHE CAN GET WELL LOVE

JOE "

It was ascertained from Mrs. Manning that Grace Voisey had not been sick at all during the time she was in DeSoto and Mrs. Manning did not know why she wanted Binder to return to DeSoto but stated it was her impression that Grace Voisey merely wanted to show the Mannings that "she had Joe wrapped around her finger".

Mrs. Manning stated that she did not know the name of the place where Grace Voisey's mother resides in Indiana but stated that

possibly Mr. Wall could procure this information from Grace Voisey's grandmother who resides with Ernest Voisey, therefore Mr. Wall made discreet inquiry of Mrs. Voisey, the grandmother and ascertained that the address of Grace Voisey's mother is as follows:

Mrs. Pearl Mahler  
1333 East Sireon St.,  
South Bend, Indiana.

It was ascertained from Jim Theodore who operates the Theodore Cafe, that Binder and Grace Voisey had rented rooms above this cafe during February, 1936 and again in March, 1936 using different names on each occasion and on the last occasion Theodore stated that Binder left without paying his room rent. Theodore permitted agent to examine his register which indicates that on February 19, 1936 Binder and Grace Voisey registered as Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Shipman and remained at that address until February 24, 1936 at which time they apparently left town.

On March 23, 1936 they again registered at the rooms as Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Binder from Little Rock, Arkansas and according to Theodore on the last occasion they remained only one night at the rooms. Theodore, as well as the girl who works in the restaurant and who witnessed the registrations, said that Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Shipman and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Binder are identical and that the girl actually wrote the names in the register on each occasion. They stated that Binder associated with no one while he was around the restaurant except that he occasionally talked to Theodore at which time he said that he was a salesman for ballgame machines and that he was attempting to sell one of these machines to Bill Christopher who operates a tavern in DeSoto. It was the opinion of Theodore as well as the girl employed in the restaurant, that the photograph of Fred Hunter bears a resemblance to Binder, however they could not state positively that Binder and Hunter are identical. The photograph of Hunter was exhibited to Bill Christopher who as indicated in the foregoing, operates a tavern in DeSoto and he stated that, positively, Hunter and Binder are not identical. Christopher stated that Binder had been in his place on one or two occasions while he was in DeSoto and attempted to sell him a baseball machine, the name of which he did not remember, and that he actually left one of these machines in the tavern for two or three days after which he took it away in the aforementioned Ford Coach. In this connection, Christopher, whose eyesight is poor, admitted that he did not even know whether Joe Binder is

identical with the individual who left the machine at his place as he did not know this individual and had never seen him before.

Mr. Wall and other employees at his place of business describe Joe Binder as fitting the description of Fred Hunter set forth in the letter from the Cleveland Office to the St. Louis Office dated April 10, 1936, however Mrs. Manning described Binder as follows:

Age	Approximately 30
Height	5 feet 7
Weight	approximately 150
Eyes	Dark brown
Hair	Black
Complexion	Fair
Dress	Fairly well dressed.

She could furnish no additional information with reference to his description or clothing.

It was ascertained at the Theodore Cafe that Binder and Grace Voisey had two or three traveling bags, however no one at that address could furnish any information with reference to the contents of these bags.

Photographs of the aforementioned individuals including Grace Goldstein, were exhibited to the several persons interviewed at DeSoto, however they had never seen any of these individuals.

In view of the information developed at DeSoto with reference to telephone number 246, and also in view of the information received from the telephone company of DeSoto to the effect that no telephone calls had been made to Hot Springs, Arkansas from telephone number 346 in DeSoto, it is believed that the telephone company at Hot Springs, Arkansas probably furnished the agent from the Little Rock Office with the wrong telephone number and that in fact all calls were made over DeSoto telephone number 246.

With reference to the 1936 model four-door maroon Buick Sedan motor #63052198 serial #2895972, a letter was addressed to the office of the Secretary of State at Springfield, Illinois and on April 9, 1936 this office received a letter from the office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois to the effect that a search of

the records failed to disclose any information regarding this automobile. Thereafter, Special Agent V. J. Wolfe of this office personally placed a stop notice on this automobile in the files of the office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois.

With reference to the teletype message from the Kansas City Office to the St. Louis Office dated April 7, 1936 to the effect that information had been received from the Missouri State Highway Patrol that a maroon Buick bearing Arkansas license plates had been seen at Carthage, Missouri proceeding on Highway 66 in the direction of St. Louis and requesting a check of tourist camps, a careful surveillance was maintained along Highway 66 at St. Clair, Missouri from 6:30 P.M. on April 7, 1936 to 1:00 A.M. April 8, 1936 and tourist camps, taverns and roadhouses from St. Louis, Missouri to Sullivan, Missouri along Highway 66 were also checked but no information was obtained regarding the automobile or the persons mentioned. A telegram was also received from the Kansas City Office during the night of April 7, 1936 advising it had been ascertained that the automobile referred to was blue in color instead of maroon and contained six men but no guns had been observed in the possession of these men.

The following mail tracings from the mail of Mrs. Edith Kistler, Outlook Sanitarium, Urbana, Illinois are being transmitted with copies of this report to the office of origin:

Letter postmarked "Chicago, Illinois April 10, 1936" but bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Springfield, Illinois" no date appearing thereon;

Letter postmarked "Chicago, Illinois" without a date, bearing a return address "7914 Paxton Ave., Chicago, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "Tulsa, Oklahoma April 12, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Decatur, Illinois April 16, 1936" bearing return address "R. M. Martin, Decatur, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "Decatur, Illinois April 11, 1936" bearing return address "Erma Minick, 829 North Mercer, Decatur, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "Tulsa, Oklahoma April 20, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "St. Petersburg, Fla. April 7, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Tulsa, Oklahoma April 4, 1936" bearing return address "615 West 9th St., Tulsa, Oklahoma;

Letter postmarked "Decatur, Illinois April 5, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Arcent, Illinois April 4, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Tulsa, Oklahoma April 3, 1936" bearing return address "818 S. Rockford Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma";

Letter postmarked "Urbana, Illinois April 6, 1936" bearing return address "I. Pierson, 111 West Ill., Urbana, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "Chicago, Illinois, Englewood Station, April 6, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Chicago, Illinois March 29, 1936" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Decatur, Illinois April 4, 1936" bearing return address "R. M. Martin, Jeweler and Optometrist, 108 E. Prairie St., Decatur, Illinois".

A tracing of a letter addressed by Mrs. Edith Kistler to Mrs. E. L. Woolsey, 615 West 9th St., Tulsa, Oklahoma is also being transmitted herewith to the office of origin.

The following tracings from letters addressed to 516 1/2 North Adams St., Peoria, Illinois are also being transmitted herewith to the office of origin:

Letter postmarked "Winchester, Illinois April 7, 1936" addressed to Miss Margaret Campbell, bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Kewanee, Illinois April 8, 1936" addressed to Miss Mabel Allen, bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "Winchester, Illinois April 14, 1936" addressed to Mrs. Iola M. Allen, bearing return address "Alta Walker, 101 North Elm St., Winchester, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "Cedar Rapids, Iowa April 12, 1936" addressed to Mrs. Margaret Malon, bearing no return address.

It will be observed in report of Special Agent T. S. Ferguson dated St. Louis, Missouri March 26, 1936 that a mail cover was placed on the mail of Mrs. Albert Edward Hill, 502 S. Broadway, Urbana, Illinois who is a sister to Mrs. Edith Kistler, mentioned in the foregoing. On April 25, 1936 a letter was received from Postmaster, Urbana, Illinois furnishing the following information with reference to mail received by Mrs. Hill, however he did not submit tracings on this mail:

Letter postmarked "March 25, 1936" bearing return address 829 North Mercer St., Decatur, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "March 25, 1936" bearing return address "Russell Doss, Treasurer, Ottawa County, Miami, Oklahoma";

Letter postmarked "March 28, 1936, Springfield, Illinois" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "March 28, 1936 Centralia, Illinois" bearing no return address;

Registered letter postmarked "Grand Rapids, Michigan April 2, 1936" bearing return address "R. G. Burleson, Sanitarium, Grand Rapids, Michigan";

Letter postmarked "April 4, 1936, Chicago, Illinois" bearing return address "8055 Indiana Ave., Chicago, Illinois";

Letter postmarked "April 7, 1936 Decatur, Illinois" bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "April 9, 1936 Springfield, Illinois"



bearing no return address;

Letter postmarked "April 18, 1936, Oreana, Illinois" bearing return address "Mrs. Sprangle";

Letter postmarked "April 20, 1936 Chicago, Illinois" bearing no return address;

With reference to the mail cover placed upon the mail of M. W. Cummings, 4450 Pennsylvania Ave., St. Louis, Missouri several mail tracings have been received bearing the return address of the local light and power and telephone companies and one of two tracings from letters addressed to the Cummings family by insurance companies, however the only letters received from points outside of the City of St. Louis are as follows:

Letter from J. E. White, 124 North 7th St., Poplar Bluff, Missouri addressed to M. W. Cummings;

Letter postmarked "Tiff, Missouri, April 15, 1936" addressed to Mr. & Mrs. M. H. Cummings bearing no return address.

The tracings from the two letters received by the Cummings family from Tiff, Missouri and Poplar Bluff, Missouri are likewise being transmitted herewith to the office of origin.

On April 23, 1936 Acting Chief of Police Ely Sliger, Poplar Bluff, Missouri telephonically advised this office that he had just learned through a cab driver that on April 17, 18, 19 and 20, 1936 two men, one of whom was 25 to 27 years of age and the other 30 to 35 years of age, stopped at a tourist camp on the outskirts of Poplar Bluff, at which time they had in their possession a 1936 model blue terraplane coupe bearing Nebraska license, the first three numbers of which it was believed, were "157". Mr. Sliger stated that he had no photograph of Harry Campbell, however the cab driver and others had stated that the photograph of Karpis bore a strong resemblance to the younger individual and that one of these individuals had registered at the tourist camp at W. Wich. He stated that during the late afternoon of April 20, 1936, these individuals left the tourist camp proceeding in the direction of Arkansas and advised persons at the tourist camp that they were going to Hot Springs, Arkansas. He further stated that persons at the tourist camp had advised him that these individuals had parked their car in the woods near the tourist camp during

their stay there and did not leave the tourist camp except at night while they were stopping there. One of the individuals had told persons at the tourist camp that he had lost \$1,500 gambling while in St. Louis and also had been robbed of \$700 in St. Louis. Mr. Sliger stated that he had been unable to procure any additional information with reference to the destination of these individuals but that he would be glad to investigate the matter thoroughly with an agent from this office.

The reporting agent immediately proceeded to Poplar Bluff and in company with Mr. Sliger, exhibited photographs of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Sam Coker, Milton Lett and Fred Hunter to Tom Craft who operates the dance hall and tourist camp, as well as to several girls and other employees at the dance hall. All of the persons interviewed, stated that the individual who used the name James Strong bore a resemblance to Karpis and Tom Craft stated that the other individual who used the name W. Wich resembled Harry Campbell, however, it was ascertained that Strong and Wich danced every night at the dance hall and mixed freely with the crowds. It was ascertained from Mr. Sliger that James Strong sent a telegram to a bank in North Platte, Nebraska on April 20, 1936 and that he subsequently received some money by telegram from that bank. Therefore, Mr. C. V. Harris of the Western Union Telegraph Company was interviewed and stated that on April 20, 1936 one James Strong had sent a telegram to the First National Bank of North Platte, Nebraska requesting that all the money which he had on deposit at that bank be forwarded to him by Western Union Telegraph. On the same date the First National Bank of North Platte, Nebraska wired him \$21.85 which, apparently, was all the money he had on deposit in that bank in view of the fact that no message was sent to Strong by the bank. Mr. Harris wrote out the message to the First National Bank at North Platte, Nebraska for Strong at the latter's request and stated that in view of the fact that Strong was a stranger to him and the First National Bank of North Platte, Nebraska did not waive identity of the person to whom the money was sent, it was necessary for him to ask Strong to identify himself. He stated that Strong produced a North Platte, Nebraska Driver's license bearing his name and that he, Mr. Harris, was satisfied with the identification, therefore he delivered the money to Strong. The following descriptions of Strong and Wich were procured from Mr. Harris, Tom Craft and other persons interviewed at the Tourist Camp:

Name	James Strong
Age	25
Height	5 feet 10
Weight	165
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Ruddy

Eyeglasses   None  
    Dress       Wore light gray suit (collegiate style)  
                  gray felt hat and no topcoat.

    Name        W. Wich  
    Age         25  
    Height      5 feet 7  
    Weight      145  
    Hair        Black  
    Eyes        Brown  
    Complexion   Pale  
    Eyeglasses   None  
    Dress &     Wore dark suit and hat, appeared to be ner-  
    Appearance   vous at all times.

    Mr. Craft stated that these individuals ate nothing but hamburgers while they were at the tourist camp and in view of the telegram to the bank in North Platte, Nebraska, it is believed they had very little money. It was also ascertained from Mr. Craft and others at the tourist camp, that since the matter was originally reported to Mr. Sliger, the witnesses have decided that the automobile in which these individuals were riding, was a blue Oldsmobile Coupe and not a blue Terraplane Coupe.

    A thorough examination was made by agent of the two cabins occupied by these individuals in an effort to locate latent fingerprints or other evidence of their identities, however the cabins had been cleaned up since they left and it was ascertained that no newspapers, magazines or other items were left in the cabins by Wich and Strong. A fruit jar which was used by Strong and Wich to take water to the cabins at night, was procured and returned to the St. Louis Office of the Bureau and efforts are being made to develop latent fingerprints thereon.

    In view of the manner in which these individuals mingled with the crowds at the dances, it does not appear that they are identical with Karpis and Campbell, however the Omaha Office is being requested to ascertain the identity of James Strong through the First National Bank of North Platte, Nebraska.

    On April 25, 1936, Special Agent R. C. Suran of the Chicago Office telephonically advised Special Agent G. B. Norris of the St. Louis Office that information had been received indicating that Grace Goldstein had sent a letter from Springfield, Illinois on April 15, 1936 to her brother. Special Agent Suran requested that this office conduct

appropriate investigation at Springfield, Illinois and suggested that possibly the Post Office Inspectors had been actively engaged in the investigation of this phase of the case at Springfield, Illinois.

Special Agent Hayne A. Thompson and Special Agent (A) G. A. Stevens were immediately dispatched to Springfield, Illinois to conduct investigation there and subsequently submitted the following memorandum:

At Springfield, Illinois on April 25, 1936 in response to a telephone call received by Special Agent G. P. Norris, Special Agent Thompson and the writer contacted Mrs. J. A. Thompson in the absence of her husband, Post Office Inspector, 1340 South Walnut Street, Springfield, Illinois. Mrs. Thompson stated that her husband had left Springfield on April 24 in a considerable hurry and told her that he was going to Chicago and would probably proceed from there to Wisconsin. He did not tell her the case he was working on and she had no idea as to what it might be and could only state that he left in a big hurry. She did not know of any other Post Office Inspectors having been or then working in Springfield on special assignment and had not heard of anyone named Goldstein.

E. F. Money, 3220 South Third Street, Springfield, Illinois stated that he is an assistant of Thompson; that he knew that Thompson departed on April 24 for Wisconsin to work on a case in that state and that it was not in regard to the mail robbery in Ohio and had nothing to do with Goldstein. That he had never heard of the said Grace Goldstein and that his office had not received any information to the effect that she was in Springfield.

Grace Goldstein was not known or registered at the leading hotels in Springfield,--St. Nicholas Hotel, Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Leland Hotel.

At this point, information was received from Mr. Norris that it had been reported that Goldstein was probably back in the State of Arkansas and the investigation was discontinued.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. Stevens,  
Special Agent.

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On April 19, 1936 Mr. Thomas Narerosse, 6352 Clayton Road, Richmond Heights, Missouri, Deputy Constable #31 of that city, came to the

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St. Louis Office and requested that he be shown photographs of Karpis and Campbell. All of the various photographs of the subjects in this case were exhibited to Mr. Narcrosse who stated that a confidential informant whose name he refused to disclose told him that he had seen Karpis and Campbell at a particular place in St. Louis County within the last two weeks. He further stated that this informant has proved reliable in the past and that he, Narcrosse, was attempting to procure additional information, but that he is working independently as he fears a leak through local officials in Richmond Heights. He further stated that crime detection is his hobby and that he not be contacted through the Richmond Heights Police. He also requested that he not be called at his home, stating that if nothing developed from his investigation he would come to the St. Louis Office and discuss the matter with Special Agent in Charge Jay C. Newman.

Mr. Narcrosse was subsequently interviewed by Special Agent in Charge Newman, Special Agent G. B. Norris and reporting agent and it was ascertained that the place to which he had reference in St. Louis County is known as Little Creve Coeur Lake and that the roadhouse or hotel where Karpis and Campbell were supposed to have been seen, is operated by one Duffy. Investigation was subsequently made at Little Creve Coeur Lake by Special Agent H. F. Small and Special Agent (A) C. M. Tyner who submitted a memorandum which is being incorporated herein as follows:

" In view of the above information it was ascertained by Agent D. W. Maher that the particular places referred to by Narcrosse in his statement, was a place known as Duffy's Hotel and a tavern operated by Dan Zimmer both places being operated about 13 miles north of St. Louis in a recreational district named Creve Coeur Lake both places being well known in the vicinity and jointly operated by Duffy and Zimmer. Agent Maher further ascertained from Harry Newbold, Deputy Sheriff, St. Louis County that both Duffy and Zimmer bear unsavory reputations and that both places had been raided several times for illicit liquor and also for gambling.

On Saturday night, April 25, 1936, Special Agent C. M. Tyner and the writer visited the above mentioned places arriving at the Duffy establishment at 10 P.M.

It might be mentioned that both places are situated about 3 miles from the main Creve Coeur road and in an easterly direction from the last mentioned road. There are ample signs along the road to easily guide a person not familiar with the section to the respective places.

Before entering the grounds on which the Duffy hotel is located, the road passes the Dan Zimmer tavern and both places are within close proximity being not more than a quarter of a mile apart.

The Duffy hotel is a large white frame establishment situated in the center of a large picnic ground. The hotel has twenty two rooms and did not give the appearance that any permanent guests were residing there.

Dinners were ordered at this hotel and during the course the writer became quite friendly with Mrs. Michael J. Duffy, wife of the proprietor and a bartender named Alfred, the only bartender at the place. During the conversation with Mrs. Duffy opportunity was had to inspect the kitchen, the bar, and the main dining room. The Duffys have a Negress about 20 years of age cooking for the place and she was the only one observed in the kitchen.

Mrs. Duffy informed that her husband Michael J. Duffy had been ill with influenza the past five days and had been confined to his bed in the upstairs portion of the hotel. Consequently it was impossible to view him.

Mrs. Duffy stated that she and her husband have operated the Duffy hotel the past fifteen years and that Dan Zimmer had also operated the Zimmer tavern for about the same length of time; that during the winter months their business was very poor but during the summer months, many St. Louis people come to spend the week end and enjoy the change from city life; that the large picnic grounds in the summer is used a great deal by picnickers and that it was a favorite place for young people to have weiner and marsh-mallow roasts, at night.

Mrs. Duffy further advised that on Saturday and Sunday nights commencing May 1, 1936, that dances would be held during the summer which is quite an attraction and financially successful for the establishment.

It might be mentioned that there are not any tourist cabins on the ground and that no gambling was being conducted, Mrs. Duffy advising that there was not sufficient trade to warrant the same.

During the course of the night or from 10 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. there were not more than 15 people visiting the Duffy place and these had all the indications of being local people, most of them being of high school

age who had been having weiner roasts on the grounds.

During the entire time there was no one that came to the place that appeared the least suspicious and there was nothing about the place that would leave the impression that it would be a rendezvous for criminals.

Due to the fact that it is somewhat isolated it could undoubtedly be used for an excellent hide-out, as there is a large heavily wooded area surrounding the place. But without the customary attractions it is doubtful that the Barker-Karpis mob would frequent such a place unless it would be a case of dire necessity.

Although Agent Tyner and the writer became quite friendly with Mrs. Duffy and could again visit the place without creating any suspicion, it was not considered feasible to exhibit any photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang to her at this time. Mrs. Duffy left the impression that she would cooperate with the Bureau as there is nothing about her that would appear the least deceptive.

Mrs. Duffy advised the writer that she had been in Miami, Fla. this winter on a short visit with her husband, Michael Duffy, but that due to the inclement weather and poor drinking water she became very sick which necessitated her return to St. Louis, before the time expired that she had planned on their visit. On leaving Duffys at 1:00 A.M., the Dan Zimmer tavern was visited until 2 A.M. This is a small tavern having a bar and dispensing short orders. This tavern is passed on approaching Duffy's place and it does not appear that it is a favorite place for the night life public, as there are no attractions outside of the bar.

With the exception of Dan Zimmer and a bar tender, the only ones to come to this tavern was a blonde woman about 30 years of age and her companion, who in no manner resembled any of the Barker-Karpis mob. These parties with Zimmer & the bar tender engaged in a conversation for a considerable length of time at the bar, which conversation contained no information of value relative to this case.

There were not any tourist cabins on the Zimmer premises observed which would indicate that tourists could stay in such manner at this place.

In view of the fact that there was nothing the least bit suspicious about this place, agents departed from this place shortly after 2 A.M.

Submitted by:

H. F. Small,  
Special Agent.

The St. Louis Office telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge Chapmon Fletcher of the Little Rock Office of the developments of this case at DeSoto, Missouri on April 25, 1936.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

OMAHA OFFICE at North Platte, Nebraska is requested to conduct appropriate investigation to ascertain the identities of James Strong and W. Wich at the First National Bank.

ALL OFFICES RECEIVING COPIES OF THIS REPORT are requested to conduct appropriate investigation of persons and places developed as result of mail tracings mentioned herein, where it appears that the particular letter bore a return address.

LITTLE ROCK OFFICE - Attention is called to the fact that several addresses and telephone numbers of persons at Hot Springs, Arkansas were procured as a result of the investigation at DeSoto, Missouri, one place being "Our Summer Home in Hot Springs" 216 Central Ave. This address appears on the photograph of Grace Voisey with aliases. It should be noted that in this photograph, Grace Voisey is the girl sitting on the arm of the bench and Mrs. Manning had never seen the other girl in the picture with Grace Voisey. This photograph should be returned to the St. Louis Office as soon as possible.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE at St. Louis, Missouri will continue the investigation in an effort to develop reliable sources of information in St. Louis, Missouri and East St. Louis, Illinois for the purpose of ascertaining definitely whether the individuals mentioned herein or their associates are frequenting St. Louis, Missouri or East St. Louis, Illinois.

At DeSoto, Missouri, in the event the Little Rock Office does not succeed in ascertaining the identity of Joe Binder at Hot Springs, Arkansas, the St. Louis Office will again interview Mrs. Bob Manning in an effort to procure additional information with reference to the present whereabouts of Binder.

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DAY LETTER	DEFERRED CABLE
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT CABLE
NIGHT LETTER	LETTER
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Persons should check class of service desired, otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof,

which are hereby agreed to

For

LITTLE ROCK ARK APRIL 28 1936  
11:30 P.M.

D W MAGEE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
326 1/2 POST OFFICE BUILDING  
NEW ORLEANS LOUISIANA

BREKID DESCRIPTION CONNIE MORRIS AGE EIGHTEEN HEIGHT FIVE TWO WEIGHT HUNDRED

FIFTEEN MEDIUM BUILD HAIR BLONDE STRAIGHT BOBBED COMPLEXION FAIR NERVOUS

DISPOSITION HABITUALLY BITING FINGERNAILS PARTIAL TO YELLOW CLOTHING AND

SLACKS

JM:ch

cc Bureau  
cc Chicago  
cc St. Paul  
cc Cleveland  
cc Cincinnati

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FBI LITTLE ROCK

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS ARE RELEASING AT CLEVELAND WARE  
ISSUED FOR JOHN BROCK ETAL FOR GARRETTSVILLE, OHIO ROBBERY AND INDICATE  
THEY WILL PICK UP EDITH BARRY FOR QUESTIONING ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE  
NOT ADVISED US AS PER MY PRIOR REQUEST THEY DO SO. SUBSEQUENT TO  
ABOVE HETTRICK ADVISED HE WOULD ADVISE US BEFORE PICKING HER UP WHICH  
WILL NOT BE BEFORE THURSDAY. SITUATION THE SAME AT HOT SPRINGS.

HALL MADE CONTACT LAST NIGHT AND GRACE GOLDSTEIN STILL SAYS THEY ARE IN  
NEW ORLEANS BUT WILL NOT GIVE ADDRESS. AKERS AND CHIEF OF POLICE WAKELIN  
WORKING TOGETHER TO SECURE REWARD BUT HAVE DIVULGED THINGS WHICH WILL  
HURT OUR EFFORTS. POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS CORDREY TOLD AKERS OF THE  
KNOWLEDGE WE HAD OF GRACES IDENTITY AND LOCATION HIDEOUT WITH HER  
BROTHERS AT PARIS AND AKERS IN TURN TOLD GRACE GOLDSTEIN. BY REASON  
AKERS BEING SUSPICIOUS OF HALL AT HOT SPRINGS WHO IS LOCATED IN  
TOURIST CAMP WE ARE BRINGING HIM TO LITTLE ROCK AND ALSO DUE TO  
PRESSURE OF AKERS AND CHIEF OF POLICE WAKELIN ON GRACE GOLDSTEIN  
AND POSSIBLY POSTOFFICE INSPECTORS PICKING HER UP, WE ARE ARRANGING  
AT ONCE TO TAKE GRACE INTO CUSTODY FOR QUESTIONING TO GET DEFINITE  
LOCATION SUBJECT, AND ALSO PREVENT HER DOING ANYTHING TO INTERFERE  
WITH INQUIRY NEW ORLEANS. I WILL PROCEED 3-15 PM TODAY VIA MISSOURI

PACIFIC RAILROAD IN LOWER THREE CAR A THIRTY AND ARRIVE NEW ORLEANS  
8 AM TUESDAY CARE BUREAU OFFICE. LITTLE ROCK WILL ADVISE ANY MATERIAL  
DEVELOPMENTS

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CONNELLEY

APR 29 1936 P.M.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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CALLED ON  
CLK OFFICE

Mr. N  
Mr. E  
Mr. H  
Chief  
Mr. C  
Mr. C  
Mr. E

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

1300 Liberty Trust Building  
Philadelphia Pennsylvania

May 1, 1936.

**SPECIAL DELIVERY!**

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the telephone conversation on this date between Mr. Newman, of the Supply Division, and Special Agent A. Schroeder, of this office, relative to the 50,000 circulars of Mahan which were requested by this office, 16,000 of which have already been received.

As explained to Mr. Newman, I have presently on hand 50,000 addressed envelopes awaiting distribution in this district, and naturally, in order to save time, labor, and expense, I believe it expedient to wait until the 34,000 circulars of Mahan arrive in order that those of Mahan, Karpis, and Campbell may be distributed simultaneously. Mr. Newman stated that the remaining 34,000 circulars of Mahan would be forwarded to this office at an early date, and that the Bureau would fold the same. You can readily appreciate that if these circulars are received at this office in a folded condition, it would greatly facilitate the distribution inasmuch as at the present time it will be necessary to distribute 150,000 circulars, all told, of Mahan, Karpis, and Campbell. I believe it would be highly feasible if the Bureau would immediately forward to this office 34,000 folded circulars each of Campbell and Karpis, and have this office return the circulars which are in an unfolded condition.

For your information, 16,000 circulars each of Karpis and Campbell will have been folded by the office personnel by Sunday, May 3rd, which will leave a balance of 34,000 unfolded circulars each of Campbell and Karpis. It is believed, and I am confident that you will agree with me, that it will be of material assistance to this office if the Bureau will forward immediately the 34,000 folded circulars each of Campbell and Karpis, and allow me to return to the Bureau the 34,000 unfolded circulars each of Campbell and Karpis.

Will you kindly advise me in this respect in order that I may give this matter appropriate attention?

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Very truly yours,

7-576-11000

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R. E. VETTERLI, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Special Agent in Charge.

AS/at

DEF. SEC. 1  
JUN 1 1936  
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**To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.**

Transmit the following message to: **PHILADELPHIA OFFICE**

PHONE BALANCE MAHAN CIRCULARS WILL BE FORWARDED MAY SIXTH

EXTRA SUPPLY KARPIS AND CAMPBELL NOT AVAILABLE WILL BE

NECESSARY YOUR OFFICE FOLD THOSE ALREADY SHIPPED

**HOOVER**

Mr. Nathan .....  
Mr. Tolson .....  
Mr. Baughman .....  
Chief Clerk .....  
Mr. Clegg .....  
Mr. Coffey .....  
Mr. Edwards .....  
Mr. Egan .....  
Mr. Foxworth .....  
Mr. Harbo .....  
Mr. Joseph .....  
Mr. Lester .....  
Mr. Quinn .....

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SHIP RADIOGRAM	RADIOGRAM

Patrons should check class of service desired, otherwise message will be transmitted as a full-rate communication

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For

LITTLE ROCK ARK  
APRIL 18 1936  
TIME: 12:42 AM

WRIGHT BRANTLEY  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
224 FEDERAL BLDG  
OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA

ARREST CHECK REVEALS MRS E J SYDNOR WIFE OF TRAVELING SALESMAN FIRM UNKNOWN

STOP HAS LIVED AT PRESENT LOCATION OVER FIFTEEN YEARS AND HAS NO KNOWN

GANG CONNECTION

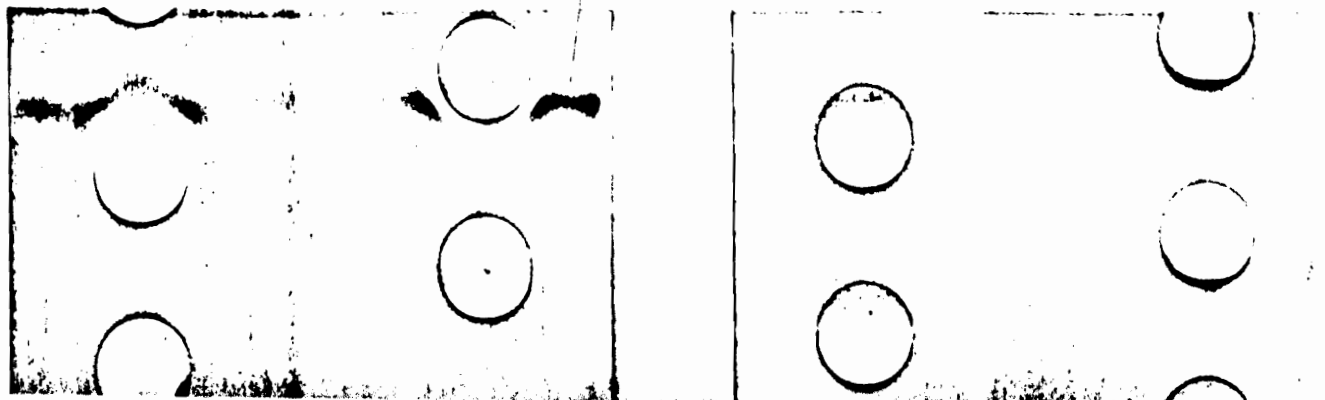
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Edward D. Bremer

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April 24, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There is transmitted herewith a memorandum covering  
the known early life and criminal activities of Alvin Karpis.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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April 24, 1938

MEMORANDUM

A career of plunder, pillage and despoliation, which was first earmarked by an arrest on February 25, 1926, initiated the long criminal record of Alvin Karpis, who was received on this date at the State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, on a charge of second degree murder, to which he was sentenced to serve a term of ten years in this Institution.

Born in Montreal, Canada on August 10, 1907 of immigrant parents who resided in that portion of Russia which is now Lithuania, Alvin Karpis, christened Alvin Karpavics, was taken by his family which migrated to the United States and settled in Topeka, Kansas when Karpis was about two years old. His father was employed by the Santa Fe railroad for a number of years as a painter. In 1923 the Karpavics family moved to Chicago, Illinois and it was at this point that Alvin began his employment in various bakery shops, where he continued working for a period of over a year. Not being strong physically and advised by his doctor of a defective heart, which condition required complete rest, Alvin Karpis went back to Topeka, Kansas, where he resided with his eldest sister. It was during this period that he became involved in his first difficulty with law enforcement officers. Having received the sentence previously mentioned, Karpis escaped from the Institution wherein he was confined on March 9, 1929 and joined his parents in Chicago, Illinois, during which time he remained at home for a period less than a year, being employed by a medical concern.

On March 25, 1930, a little over a year after his escape from the State Industrial Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas where he was sentenced on February 25, 1926, he was arrested in Kansas City, Missouri for auto larceny and safe blowing and was returned to the State Industrial Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas as an escaped prisoner, being transferred on May 19, 1930 to the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas to serve the balance of his term.

Following his release from the Kansas State Penitentiary on May 31, 1931, Karpis immediately associated himself with such persons as Frank Nash, Francis Keating, Thomas Holden, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Vernon C. Miller, Fred and Kate Barker and many others. He engaged in numerous bank robberies in the middle west. His apprehension was sought by the Sheriff's Office in West Plains, Missouri for the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelley on December 19, 1931. Thereafter Karpis allied himself with a gang of midwestern desperadoes which has since become known as the "Karpis-Barker" gang. This gang has been responsible for many of the major bank robberies in the middle western states which occurred subsequent to

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his release from the Kansas State Penitentiary and his arrest on June 10, 1931 at Tulsa, Oklahoma on a charge of burglary, where he was delivered to the authorities at Okmulgee, Oklahoma and paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary to which he was sentenced on September 11, 1931 for a term of four years.

On March 21, 1934 the Attorney General of the United States announced that Karpis had been identified as one of the kidnapers of Edward George Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank at St. Paul, Minnesota, who was kidnaped on the morning of January 17, 1934 at the intersection of Lexington and Goodrich Avenues, St. Paul, Minnesota, shortly after he had taken his little daughter to school. This abduction was effected by several members of the Karpis-Barker gang, many of whom have already been prosecuted. Among those who had been prosecuted in the Bremer case are Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Elmer Farmer and Bryan Bolton, who are also implicated in the abduction of William A. Hamm, Jr., President of the Theodore Hamm Brewing Company, a wealthy resident of St. Paul, Minnesota, who was kidnaped about 12:45 P.M. on Thursday, June 15, 1933, immediately after he had departed from his office at the brewery for luncheon.

On January 22, 1935 a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota returned indictments against several members of the Karpis-Barker gang. Karpis was named in two indictments, the first charging him and others with the substantive offense of kidnaping Mr. Bremer, the second charging him and others with conspiracy to kidnap Mr. Bremer.

On April 22, 1936 a Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota returned indictments against Alvin Karpis and others, charging these persons with conspiracy to kidnap Mr. Hamm and also charging them with the substantive offense of kidnaping. On this same date, Homer S. Cummings, Attorney General of the United States, under the authority vested in him by an Act of Congress approved June 6, 1934, offered a reward of \$5,000 for information furnished to a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, which results in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

According to the records of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Karpis, as No. 7071, was received at the State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, on February 25, 1926, for the crime of burglary—second degree, to serve a sentence of ten years. He escaped on March 9, 1929 and was returned to the reformatory on March 25, 1930, having been arrested as Raymond Hadley, No. 17902, by the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department on March 25, 1930, on charges of larceny—auto, and safeblowing. Karpis was transferred to the State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, on May 19, 1930, under his correct name.



as No. 1559, to serve the balance of his sentence for the crime of burglary, second degree. As George Haller, No. 8008, Karpis was arrested by the Police Department at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 10, 1931, on charges of investigation--burglary. He was surrendered to the Police Department at Okmulgee, Oklahoma, where, as A. Karpis, No. 1602, he was charged with burglary. On September 11, 1931, Karpis was found guilty of the burglary charges and was sentenced to four years and immediately placed on parole by the Court.

Arthur R. Barker and Volney Davis are serving life sentences at Alcatraz Island Penitentiary, as a result of their participating in the Bremer kidnaping. Bryan Bolton was convicted on April 15, 1935 for his participation in this kidnaping, (and at the present time is under indictment in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm) Elmer Farmer, who is presently confined in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, where he is serving a twenty-year sentence for his participation in the Bremer kidnaping, has also been indicted in the Hamm kidnaping. Fred Barker and Fred Goetz are deceased.

Bryan Bolton, Arthur R. Barker and Elmer Farmer, who were members of the Karpis-Barker gang and are presently serving sentences imposed as a result of their participation in the Bremer kidnaping case, have been indicted, together with Alvin Karpis, John P. Peifer, Edmund C. Bartholmey and Charles J. Fitzgerald, for their participation in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., at St. Paul, Minnesota, on June 15, 1933.

Post Office Box 1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
April 25, 1936.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Confirming our telephone conversation of last night, please be advised that in accordance with your instructions, [redacted] together with Agents John Madala, W. J. McNulty, and C. A. Mahan, left Little Rock about midnight and proceeded to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where [redacted] under the name of Joe Harris has established himself at the Best Tourist Camp for the purpose of contacting Grace Goldstein if and when she returns. Just prior to the departure of [redacted] I talked with him at some length and he is very confident that if he is able to make this contact with Grace that he will experience little difficulty in securing from her information as to the whereabouts of Karpis and other members of the gang, if such information is known to Grace. [redacted] is also of the opinion that in the event Grace has not returned to Hot Springs, and for that reason he is not able to contact her, that he will be able to ascertain through the prostitute Mary, who is in charge of the Hatterie Hotel during the absence of Grace, information sufficiently definite to enable him to locate Grace for the desired contact.

Special Agent W. J. McNulty, who accompanied [redacted] to Hot Springs, is presently registered at the Howe Hotel which is situated close to the Hatterie Hotel where he will be able to observe in some measure the activities at the Hatterie Hotel and can be in contact with [redacted] at reasonable intervals.

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Special Agent John Madala, who accompanied [redacted] to Hot Springs, is registered at the Naukesha Hotel which is closely situated to the Hatterie Hotel and he has been instructed to keep a careful watch on the Hatterie Hotel, especially for the purpose of learning whether any effort is made by the Post Office Inspectors to cause the apprehension of Grace Goldstein should she return to Hot Springs, he being instructed to communicate with me at once in the event any unusual activity is observed at the Hatterie Hotel, or should he learn that Grace has returned.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley, S. A. C.

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Temporarily, Special Agent C. A. Mahan of this office is registered at the Marquette Hotel where he is working on general assignment, the real purpose, however, being that he should be available with his personally owned Ford automobile in the event it should be necessary for Agents Madala and McNulty to hurriedly leave Hot Springs.

Agent Damron who is, of course, the more familiar with this matter is presently tied up in Court at El Dorado but it is expected that I can have him released early tomorrow morning in order that he may then proceed to Hot Springs and be available in connection with this matter.

I will, of course, keep you fully advised of all developments at Hot Springs.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau  
cc Cleveland  
cc Chicago  
cc St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1441 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

April 25, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As of interest to the Bureau, please find enclosed  
herewith three copies of a self-explanatory memorandum sub-  
mitted by Special Agent T. M. Birch, who is on special assign-  
ment in this district.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MAC FARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Youngstown, Ohio  
April 22, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE J. P. MAC FARLAND

In a conversation with F. R. Casey, Post Office Inspector, who was on duty at the plant being maintained at Clayton Hall's residence, Youngstown, Ohio, Casey confided that there are rumors to the effect that Attorney General Cummings is to resign in the near future so as to enable him to actively engage in the campaign in behalf of President Roosevelt; that in such case Joseph Keenan, the Assistant Attorney General, would replace Mr. Keenan. (Mr. Cummings)

According to Casey, his information is that Mr. Keenan, in the event of the resignation of Attorney General Cummings, is looking forward to becoming the next Attorney General and has so advised his friend, United States Attorney Freed at Cleveland, Ohio, whom he has promised to appoint an Assistant Attorney General or Assistant to the Attorney General. In this connection, Casey advised that Mr. Freed is keeping in close touch with Mr. Keenan and in order to do so, has in recent months made a number of trips to Washington, D. C. and inasmuch as the Department, except on special authorization, will not allow the transportation and expenses incident thereto, the Post Office Inspectors, out of their confidential funds, advanced the necessary expenses to Mr. Freed. According to Casey, the Post Office Inspectors at the present time have a confidential fund of \$2,000 to spend in connection with the recent Garrettsville mail train robbery.

Casey also advised that the Post Office Inspectors have two women confidential informants at Canton, Ohio, who are on the payroll at the rate of \$30.00 per week; that only a few days ago Post Office Inspector Clagett made a trip to Canton and paid these women \$60.00.

T. M. BIRCH  
Special Agent

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LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, APRIL 26, 1936. 11:30 A. M.

F. J. BLAKE,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
420 POST OFFICE BUILDING,  
DALLAS, TEXAS.

BREKID ADVISE BRANTLEY PARTY MENTIONED MY TELEPHONE CONVERSATION LAST NIGHT AS  
HAVING LEFT RETURNED MIDNIGHT AND WAS CONTACTED NO DEFINITE RESULTS BEING OBTAINED  
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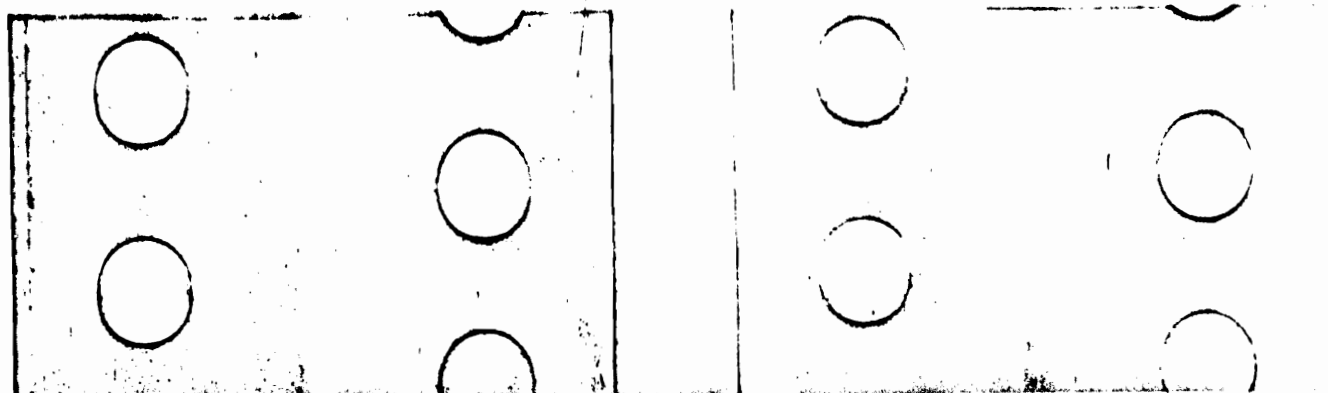
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TIME: 5:45 PM

E J CONNELLEY,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
426 U S CUSTOM HOUSE & P O  
CINCINNATI OHIO

BREKID DEFINITE INFORMATION JUST OBTAINED GRACE GOLDSTEIN NOW AT HOT SPRINGS

BUT NO CONTACT HAS YET BEEN MADE WITH HER BY [REDACTED]

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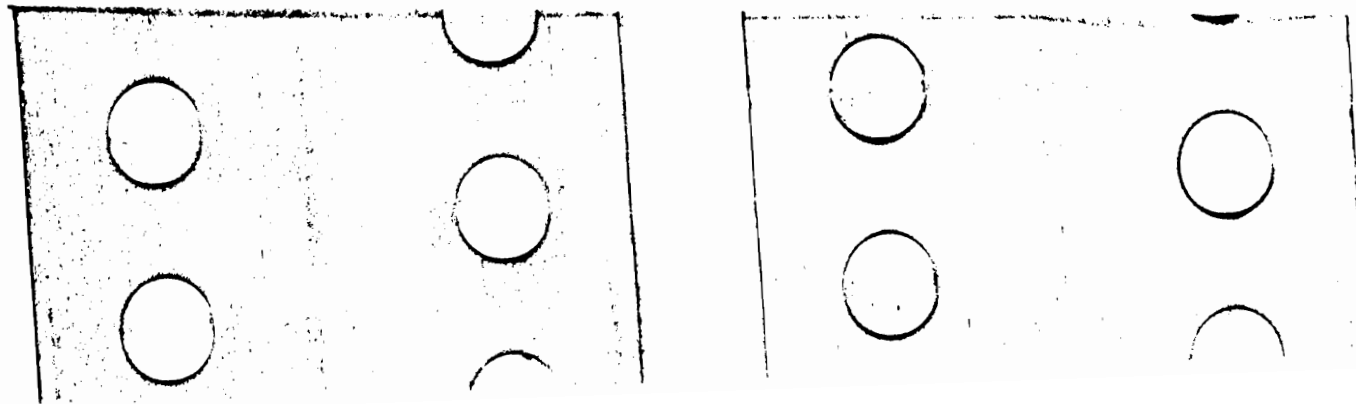
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 26, 1936.

Time - 2:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Foxworth	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Mr. Connelley telephoned me and said that last night, [redacted] made contact with Grace Goldstein at Hot Springs, Arkansas. She has been with Karpis and Hunter. When Karpis and the others left out of Hot Springs just before our raid down there, they went to Corpus Christi, Texas, where Hunter purchased another automobile for them. It appears that Hunter was over at the police station in Corpus Christi trying to fix up something about the registration of the automobile which he had just purchased, at which time a broadcast came over on the police radio to the effect that Karpis and his associates had the maroon colored Buick automobile. Mr. Connelley said this is undoubtedly the result of the activities of Joe Anderson of the Kansas State Police and the Post Office Inspectors, despite the fact Mr. Connelley specifically told them to broadcast no information relative to this automobile. When Hunter heard this broadcast, he and Karpis just put the maroon colored Buick in an automobile garage in Corpus Christi and abandoned it. According to Grace Goldstein, after the subjects left Corpus Christi, they went to New Orleans, Louisiana, where they are now living in an apartment, the address of which Grace did not furnish to [redacted]. She says, however, that Hunter is living with Connie Morris, and that Karpis is living at another place, but takes his meals with Hunter and Morris. [redacted] has another appointment with Grace tonight, at which time he is going to try to find out the address of the place in New Orleans at which Karpis and the others are staying, which information, of course, will be given to us.

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Mr. Connelley said he proposes to leave at four o'clock for Little Rock, arriving there at 8:30 tonight. Mr. Connelley said if she gives the desired information, he will get out of there as soon as possible and go to New Orleans. He said he does not plan to take any men with him at this particular time for the reason that he would desire to slip into town and make a survey of the situation before concentrating any Agents.

Mr. Connelley said it appears Grace Goldstein is not suspicious of Informant [redacted] in this matter, and there does not appear to be much of a possibility of the Post Office Inspectors or Joe Anderson or any of the others at Hot Springs interfering in this investigation. He said that the Post Office Inspectors have returned to their respective headquarters, and Joe Anderson is associating with Special Agent Frank Smith, whose duty it is to keep an eye on him and find out what he is doing and why at all times. Mr. Connelley will not appear at Hot Springs at all, but will keep closely in touch with the situation at Hot Springs from Little Rock.

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I told Mr. Connelley that if anything develops at Little Rock, he could just wire the Bureau to the effect that he was proceeding to New Orleans, and we would understand the situation.

The new telephone tap has been installed in Cleveland and is working all right now.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Post Office Box 2118  
Detroit - Michigan  
April 30, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith, in duplicate, copy of a communication dated April 23, 1936, from W. Elton Gordon, Findlay, Ohio, concerning his seeing Alvin Karpis in Findlay recently. Attached to Mr. Gordon's letter was a photograph of Karpis as taken from some newspaper.

Copies of this letter are also attached to the copies of this communication going to the offices shown below.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke  
Special Agent in Charge

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123 Line Street  
FINDLAY, OHIO  
April 28, 1936

Div. of Invest.,  
Dept. of Justice, U. S.  
P. O. Box 2118  
Detroit, Mich.

Dear sir:

This mans picture that I have enclosed he passed through Findlay, Ohio Staurday April 25, '36 In a Green Hudao Sedan, 1936 model, License number 10-3402 issued in the state of Kansas, and I am quite sure it was him as I had a good look at him and remembered his face as he was trying to sell some fur coats and oriental rugs, the most beautiful you ever saw and were selling at a very low price.

He even said he was coming back through this way again and got a shoe shine and went on. altho I never reconized him till I seen his picture in this paper as I didn't have any before.

Anytime I can aid you will be glad to do so.

Sincerely,

W. Elton Gordon

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506 Fletcher Trust Building,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.

April 30, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the photographs of  
Grace Goldstein and Connie Mann recently furnished  
all Field Offices you are requested to furnish this  
office with the descriptions of these persons if  
available.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, APRIL 26, 1936. 9:30 A.M. Fo

G. M. LONDON,  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
234 FEDERAL BUILDING,  
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

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April 27, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

This will record the conference this morning which you held with Mr. William Lundell, Mr. Carlton Smith and Mr. Johnson of the National Broadcasting Company. These gentlemen presented three proposed plans as follows:

1. They have in mind a half hour radio dramatization with regard to Alvin Karpis, this show to be placed on the air following the Karpis apprehension. Mr. Lundell indicated that it is proposed that Mr. Wade Arnold of the New York City offices of the National Broadcasting Company will prepare the dramatization phraseology. The question was raised in connection with this matter as to whether Mr. Courtney Ryley Cooper would assist in preparing the material in view of the fact that he has covered the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping cases rather completely in his book "Ten Thousand Public Enemies," and Mr. Lundell indicated that he might arrange for Mr. Arnold to get in touch with Mr. Cooper to see whether they could work out the continuity rather than to have Mr. Arnold receive detailed material from the Bureau or to come to Washington in connection with the matter. It was indicated that the dramatization would feature Alvin Karpis although, of necessity, it would include considerable information with regard to the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping cases.

Edw. J.

2. A one hour broadcast tour was discussed for presentation possibly on the night of Sunday, July 26th, to be in the nature of of an anniversary presentation as the Bureau was initially started on July 26, 1908.

It is proposed that Mr. Courtney Ryley Cooper will be contacted by the National Broadcasting Company to prepare the material for this broadcast show which will pertain primarily to interesting developments in hypothetical and actual cases with regard to scientific crime detection methods.

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3. Mr. Lundell stated that at 1 P.M. on Sunday, May 17th, on the C A Magic Key Hour, time will be devoted to the use of radio in police and law enforcement work, and he asked whether four minutes of the program might be devoted to the Bureau. He has in

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mind that the Director will make a one minute statement concerning the use of radio in connection with the Bureau's work and that three minutes will be given over to some type of actual radio demonstration, possibly utilizing the two-way radio as used by the Bureau in extortion and similar cases.

It was agreed that Mr. Johnson of the Washington office of the National Broadcasting Company would communicate with the Bureau and would discuss this entire matter with Mr. Coffey so that the technical details might be carefully worked out some days in advance of the program. I have spoken to Mr. Coffey concerning this matter so that he is in a position to discuss this matter with Mr. Johnson, after which he will advise definitely as to the set-up for this program.

Mr. Lundell also mentioned two matters about which I told Mr. Coffey so that he might make appropriate inquiries to determine whether they have any pertinency to the work of the Bureau; namely, the preparation during the past year of an R C A portable transmission set weighing approximately 400 pounds which will give voice coverage to twenty-eight miles, and a small personal transmission set which can be carried by an individual without being noticed. Mr. Coffey will look into these matters and will submit a report concerning them.

I have prepared the attached memorandum for Mr. Snydan with regard to the May 17th Magic Key program.

Respectfully,

Clyde Tolson.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
503a U.S. Courthouse & P.O. Building  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
April 28, 1936

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin dated 4-20-36 at Salt Lake City, wherein it is stated that at the time Frankie Foster was apprehended there was found in his possession a .38 calibre Colt pistol.

Efforts will be made to trace this gun.

Very truly yours,

W. A. RORER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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326 1/2 Post Office Building  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
April 29, 1936

AIR MAIL - 521. DELIVERY

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Further reference is made to Cleveland office air mail letter of April 22, 1936 and to New Orleans office air mail letter of April 23, 1936 concerning 1936 Louisiana license 144-353.

Special Agent C. W. Toolmo has ascertained that Plymouth sedan, 1934 model, motor #PE-134209, was registered to Harry Albert Davis, Jr., and that the license was issued on Jan. 17, 1936 at Shreveport, La., at which time Davis resided at 2807 Sanford Ave., Shreveport, La.

Harry Albert Davis, Jr. is a baseball player, and according to Chief of Police L. E. Norvell, Shreveport, La., Davis is under contract to the Detroit baseball team of the major leagues a year or two ago, and Chief Norvell thinks he is now under contract to one of the International League teams. Davis' father is employed as a bookkeeper for the Bollinger Company in Shreveport, and both enjoy good reputations. Davis, Jr. is reported to be a friend of Carry Campbell of Shreveport, La., a baseball player on the Cincinnati, Ohio major league team. Harry Albert Davis, Jr. was described by Chief Norvell as follows:

Age - 25 - 27  
Height - 5'10"  
Weight - 190 - 200  
Hair - dark  
Marital status - married, father of one child;  
wife, Cordie Davis  
Occupation - baseball player.

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D. W. Kages,  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 1278  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
April 29, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In reviewing the report of Special Agent B. L. Dauron, dated 4-19-36 at Little Rock, Arkansas, it is noted that a Mrs. Genevive Ricks, 1140 South Central, Hot Springs, Arkansas, was interviewed with reference to the operations of Grace Goldstein while residing at 1828 South Central Avenue.

In the report of Special Agent John B. Little dated 4-24-36 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, it will be noted that the plane belonging to John Stover of Hot Springs, Arkansas appeared at the Tulsa Air Port on one or two occasions with passengers, at which time it was piloted by one Earl Ricks. This matter is being brought to the attention of the Little Rock Office in order in the event the same has not already been given consideration, inquiry might be made to determine whether Earl Ricks is associated with Genevive Ricks and any connections which these parties might be able to establish between Grace Goldstein and the use of planes at the Hot Springs Air Port through John Stover.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 1469,  
Little Rock, Arkansas,  
April 25, 1936.

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Confirming our telephone conversation of this date, please be advised that early today I received information from Special Agent Frank S. Smith, who is at Hot Springs with Joe Anderson and Post Office Inspector Cordray, to the effect that Cordray on yesterday had gone to the Metairie Hotel with "Dutch" Wakers, Chief of Detectives at Hot Springs, at which time Cordray had vigorously questioned Mary, who is in charge of the house during the absence of Grace Goldstein, and even went so far as to threaten the arrest of Mary unless she disclosed to him certain information relative to the whereabouts of Grace Goldstein which Mary informed Mr. Cordray she did not have. Agent Smith at this time informed me that the chances were hundred to one that should Grace Goldstein appear in Hot Springs that Cordray would cause her to be taken into custody for questioning at which point I instructed Agent Smith to use his best efforts to get Cordray out of Hot Springs using any excuse that he might think best in order that informant might have a free opportunity to contact Grace who, according to information furnished Agent Smith, was expected to return to Hot Springs some time during today.

Subsequent to this, Agent Smith proceeded to Little Rock with Joe Anderson and Post Office Inspector Cordray, Cordray taking a train at 3:05 P. M. today for Memphis, Tennessee, from which point, he informed me, he will immediately proceed to Cleveland, Ohio, the purpose of his visit to Cleveland not being disclosed; he, however, indicating to me that he was through at Hot Springs and did not propose to return here at any time in the near future. Cordray was taken to the train by Joe Anderson during which time I had an opportunity to discuss matters with Agent Smith for a short period after which Joe Anderson returned and I then informed Anderson that you are

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Mr. E. J. Connelley, S. A. C.,

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fully aware of the action taken by Cordray on yesterday at the Hatterie Hotel with which action you were greatly displeased, and exacted from Joe Anderson a promise that he would make no effort to contact any person at the Hatterie Hotel, nor would he do anything at Hot Springs that might interfere with our present plans to contact Grace or ascertain her whereabouts through our [REDACTED] b7c

During the time that Agent Smith and Anderson were in Little Rock, I received word from Agent Darnon at Hot Springs that he had arrived there and he was immediately instructed to keep in close touch with Chief of Detectives Akers in an effort to learn whether Grace had returned and also to spend as much time with Akers as possible to determine whether any effort was being made by Akers to cause the apprehension of Grace, or in any way take any action that might interfere with our present plans.

As I informed you in our telephone conversation, I think that matters as they now stand at Hot Springs are satisfactory and I am anxiously awaiting word from the Agents at that point as to whether [REDACTED] has been able to contact Grace Goldstein or obtain any information as to her present whereabouts, and immediately upon receipt of any information of value to you, I will contact you by long distance telephone.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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FILE NO. 7-27

REPORT MADE AT Salt Lake City, Utah	DATE WHEN MADE 4-28-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4-25-36	REPORT MADE BY W. A. RORER OS
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>Frankie Foster, on habeas corpus hearing State Court, Reno, Nevada, 4-23-36, ordered released. U. S. Attorney, Reno, believes Federal indictment should be obtained in New York District and investigation conducted prior to serving Federal warrant for Unlawful Flight.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">P.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Teletype to Bureau dated 4-23-36.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: United States Attorney E. P. Carville, Reno, Nevada, advised this office that on April 23 habeas corpus proceedings which were being held in the State Court at Reno in connection with the removal of Frankie Foster to New York were terminated and Foster was ordered released by the court. The hearing lasted two days, during which time 41 witnesses were produced by Foster and they testified to the effect that he had been in Nevada or Sacramento, California, during and immediately preceding and following the date on which he is alleged to have committed the robbery in New York. William Graham of Reno appeared to be instrumental in securing the witnesses for Foster and also testified that he was with Foster for a great portion of the time during January, 1936.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED:		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
<p>COPIES OF THIS REPORT</p> <p>3- Bureau 2- Cincinnati 2- Chicago 2- St. Paul 1- New York - Salt Lake City</p> <p style="text-align: right;">COPIES DESTROYED 78 MAR 23 1965</p>		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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United States Attorney Carville advised he is of the opinion that in the event the Federal warrant against Foster was served at the present time the Government would be unsuccessful in its efforts to extradite Foster. He stated he was immediately addressing a letter to the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, in which he was requesting that an indictment be returned against Foster in New York. Judge Carville further stated that he believes some investigation should be made concerning the testimony of witnesses in the State Court proceedings against Foster prior to instituting Federal prosecution.

Immediately upon the return of Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin to Reno, which is expected to be about May 4 or 5, 1936, this matter will be further gone into. Foster contends that he is now a resident of the State of Nevada and is presently located at Reno.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE: At Reno, Nevada, will obtain the serial number of the pistol found in Foster's home at the time of his apprehension and trace it.

Will consult United States Attorney Carville and conduct the necessary investigation in connection with the removal of Foster on the Federal warrant.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CT:ACS

April 23, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

I have asked Mr. Tamm to prepare an up-to-date summary of the BREMER case with sidelights on the background and activities of ALVIN KARPIS. This was requested in order that it might be furnished to Mr. Carlton Smith of NBC in the event Mr. Smith communicates with you following his discussion with Mr. Suydam of this matter.

Respectfully,

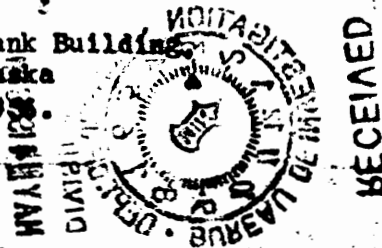
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629 First National Bank Building  
Omaha, Nebraska  
April 30, 1936.



Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent M. C. Spear, Kansas City, 12/11/35, containing lead for the Omaha Office to conduct discreet investigation at Scottsbluff, Nebraska with reference to any possible contact one Alice Smith might have with Subjects of this case; also, to the report of Special Agent Kenneth Logan, Omaha, 5/2/36, covering investigation in question, at which time it was learned that Alice Smith and her mother were at Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

Today, a telegram was received at this office from Sheriff Vincent Ramsey, Scottsbluff County, Gering, Nebraska, advising that Alice M. Smith is again at Scottsbluff, Nebraska and receiving mail at General Delivery.

The file on this case at the Omaha Office does not reflect whether the investigation at Medicine Lodge, Kansas was conducted by the Kansas City Office; therefore, before attempt is made to interview Miss Smith at Scottsbluff, Nebr., please advise this office, immediately, if such interview is in order, in view of such interview not having been conducted at Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

Very truly yours,  
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Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

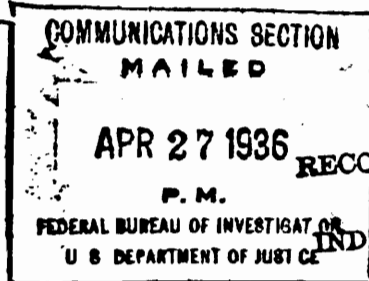
RE: Proposed broadcast of the  
capture of Alvin Karpis.

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Suydam I stated that I had been advised that Mr. Arnold in the continuity department of the National Broadcasting Company will write the script for the above broadcast. I further stated that I had advised the representatives of the National Broadcasting Company to forward the script in rough form to the Bureau to be reviewed in order that no changes will have to be made at the last minute. I told Mr. Suydam that the script will be checked by the Bureau as to the authenticity and then sent around to him for the Departmental approval.

Very truly yours,

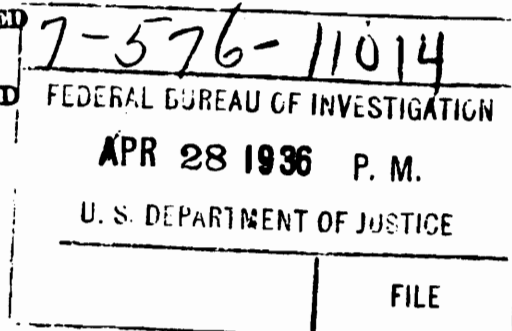
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DEAR SIR:

*Harry Campbell*  
A "MR CAMPBELL"  
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JUSTICE, WHOSE PHOTOGRAPH  
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Mr. Edgar Hoover  
Washington D.C.  
Sir In Regard to your men  
working on the Karpis gang,  
you have your men get the  
touch with me, also I would  
kindly ask that my name is not  
mentioned on account of old  
friends in Canton, I also send  
this with piece of paper so I  
know who I am talking to.

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Mr. G. C. Dourm,  
2046 17th Street, S. W.,  
Kenmore District,  
Akron, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I have your undated letter, which was received in this Bureau on May 2, 1936.

Inasmuch as Alvin Karpis was taken into custody by Special Agents of this Bureau at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, it is suggested that should you have any additional information to furnish this Bureau, you communicate with Mr. J. P. MacFarland, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Cleveland

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FBI LOS ANGELES 4-30-36 12-15 PM AB

DIRECTOR

PHONE. SHERIFF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIF. HOLDING OLIN SMITH AND  
GEORGE MCDUGALL ALIAS GEORGE CAMERON EX CONVICTS WHO STATE THEY  
WERE TRAVELLING WITH THREE OTHER PEOPLE, ONE R J REYNOLDS ALIAS RALPH  
REYNOLDS ALIAS RANDALL, AN UNKNOWN WOMAN, AND A MAN WHO GAVE HIS NAME  
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

U. S. Department of Justice

827 Broad Street National Bank Building  
Trenton New Jersey

May 1, 1936.

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

On April 28, 1936 Chief Deputy Marshal Snowden of Trenton, N. J., advised this office that several subpoenas had been received at Trenton calling for the attendance of witnesses at Miami, Florida on May 21, 1936 in connection with the above-entitled case.

Mr. Snowden has stated that his Deputies were able to serve all of the subpoenas with the exception of one for Daniel Francis Young, whose address was furnished as: Danmore Hotel, 127 South Kentucky Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J. This subpoena was duces tecum and called for the production of certain records of the Danmore Hotel.

The Deputy Marshal who attempted to serve the subpoena was informed that Daniel Francis Young has been ill for some time, and is presently confined at the University Hospital in Philadelphia, Pa. It is not known how serious his condition is.

It is suggested that the U. S. Attorney or the Prosecutor assigned to try this case be consulted for his advice as to whether William A. Morley, co-owner of the Danmore Hotel, should be subpoenaed duces tecum to produce the desired records, inasmuch as it is understood that a subpoena has already been served on William A. Morley to appear at the trial.

It is also suggested that the Philadelphia Office make appropriate inquiries to determine the physical condition of Daniel Francis Young at the University Hospital in Philadelphia, for the purpose of establishing whether his condition is such as to enable him to attend the trial on May 21st.

5-11-36 Sae Trenton cc Phila. *Connelley*  
*Carr, G. J. (Sullivan)*  
*Ed. R. (H. R. M.)*

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The suggestions contained in this letter should be held in abeyance awaiting Bureau advice.

Very truly yours,

*E. L. Richmond*

E. L. RICHMOND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Tranton, New Jersey.

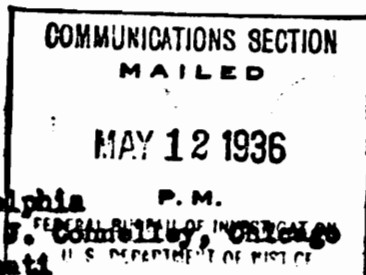
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. #1218, et al.  
Edward George Bremer - Victim.  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 1, 1936,  
advising of the illness of Daniel Francis Young, coproprieter  
of the Danmor Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, who is now  
confined in the University Hospital, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please be informed that the condition of Mr. Young's  
health has been brought to the attention of Mr. Walter L. Barlow,  
Special Assistant to the Attorney General, who will prosecute  
the case against Joseph H. Adams and Henry "Duke" Randall at  
Miami, Florida. Mr. Barlow has informed that Mr. Young may be  
advised that he may disregard the subpoena but should hold  
himself in readiness and advise either the Philadelphia or Tranton  
office as to his location so that his presence may be requested  
during the course of the trial in the event same becomes imperative.  
For your further information, please be advised that those records  
of the Danmor Hotel which Mr. Young was to produce during the  
course of the trial are already in the possession of the Bureau  
and consist of registration cards of Wynona Burdette, Dolores  
Delaney, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. It is anticipated, there-  
fore, that the trial may proceed in his absence.

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cc-Philadelphia  
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul  
Jacksonville

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

*[Handwritten signature]*

*[Handwritten signature]*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

April 30, 1936.

Time - 9:45 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Over the National Broadcasting Company last evening, there was a news broadcast to the effect that a filling station attendant at Cambridge, New York, had identified Alvin Karpis as coming into his filling station to get some gasoline. The matter evidently was reported to the Sheriff up there, who is reported to have a posse out looking for Karpis. The matter was also reported over the police hookup and also on the press dispatch machines.

I telephoned Special Agent G. V. Doherty at the Buffalo Office relative to this matter, and he said it has not been reported to that office in so far as he knows, and nothing is known about it. Mr. Doherty said he would check up on this right away and advise the Bureau what the situation is by teletype.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1276  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
April 29, 1936

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are copies of a letter  
addressed to former Special Agent Paul Hansen, dated April  
20, 1936 by [REDACTED]

Copies of [REDACTED] are being referred  
to the Bureau for consideration of his offer to make a trip  
to Mississippi upon the basis of \$7.00 per day in an effort  
to develop information concerning Campbell's location in that  
vicinity.

It is appreciated [REDACTED] value as an in-  
formant is questionable, but in view of existing circumstances,  
his suggestion is being referred to the Bureau for consideration.

Very truly yours,

*Dwight Brantley*  
DWIGHT BRANTLEY, Jr.  
Special Agent in Charge.

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*No reply  
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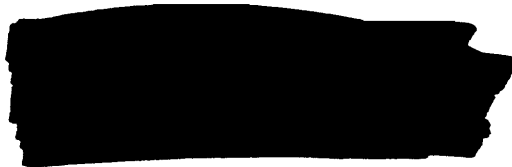
Dear Mr. Hansen:-

My wife was telling me that you were interested in knowing something about one Pearl Stanley. If this is the same Pearly Stanley that once lived at Carterville, Mo I know her. The last time just before Herman Barker was arrested at Carterville, he and Ray Terrell left several thousands dollars in gold with this lady; at that time her husband was in McAlester doing 2 years. I was given an order on her for this money and sent one Frank Burns after the money. She turned over one hundred fifty dollars and claimed the balance was hidden where she could not get it at that time; she kept all the balance of the money and never did turn it over. She has always been a friend to the gang and they used to visit her often and leave property with her to cool off.

Harry Campbell so I am informed has some connections in Miss. I feel that I could uncover some information if I could make a trip to Memphis and on down in Miss. It would require about 8 days time to make the round and I could make it on \$7.00 a day. if you think it worth while and will provide the money, I will take off 8 days and see what I can do.

The only way as I see it to get in touch with these parties is to make connections with some of their friends that they trust.

Very truly yours



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April 29, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

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The Bureau has in its employ a clerical assistant, Mr. Arthur Sweeney. He has informed me that he has a brother, James A. Sweeney, who is employed as an automobile salesman for the Seltzer Motor Sales Company, 13th and Madison Streets, Toledo, Ohio. He has assured me that in any matters coming within the investigative jurisdiction of the Bureau his brother will be more than willing to cooperate with Agents who may have occasion to interview him for pertinent information.

At the time Mr. Arthur Sweeney made the suggestion that his brother be contacted in the future, he had particular reference to the Bremer case, stating that in view of the fact numerous automobiles had been purchased by members of the gang his brother might be able to obtain some information of value through his connection with automobile companies.

It is desired that you bear this matter in mind in conducting future investigations.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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C. A. GAVAGNA, D.D.S.  
ELYRIA - OHIO

May 1st 1936.

Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Kindly send me  
photos and description of <sup>my</sup> ~~Kay~~  
and Campbell as I understand  
they have been seen in this <sup>S. C. and</sup>  
territory.

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Recd. by  
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Dr. Charles A. Cavagna,  
Elyria, Ohio.

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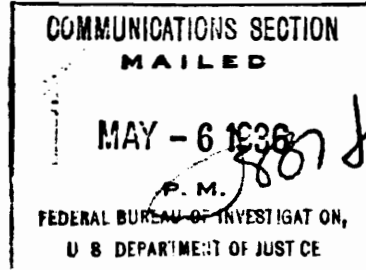
I have your letter dated May 1, 1936, requesting a photograph and description of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

Inasmuch as Alvin Karpis was taken into custody by Special Agents of this Bureau at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, there is transmitted herewith an Identification Order which was prepared by this Bureau, containing the description and photograph of Harry Campbell, concerning whom you inquired.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #1124475  
cc-Cincinnati  
Cleveland



**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

P. O. Box 709  
Portland, Oregon

April 28, 1936

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Re: Brekid

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of April 22d, enclosing photostatic copies of an undated anonymous communication postmarked at Los Gatos, California, April 5, 1936, concerning the possible location of Alvin Karpis and William Dainard.

Attention of the Bureau is invited to the fact that the only suggested investigation concerning this anonymous communication would lie at Los Gatos, Santa Cruz, and Holy City, California, which towns are within the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bureau office.

However, examination of the anonymous communication reflects that the party who is alleged to be harboring Karpis and Mahan is named as one "Denegri". The writer of the anonymous communication unquestionably had in mind Joseph Raymond Negri, alias Fatso Negri as being the man who harbored Baby Face Nelson and presently harboring Karpis and Mahan. It is also noted that the writer claimed that Karpis, apparently wearing a shawl, and Mahan were together and that the man "Denegri" has been seen going back and forth in the vicinity of Santa Cruz and Los Gatos.

For the information of the Bureau, Negri has been residing at Portland for nearly a year and I have occasion to personally see him quite frequently. On receipt of the Bureau's letter on this date, I called Negri to the office and determined definitely that he has not been in the vicinity of the above

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mentioned towns for over a year, and in view of the apparent unreliability of the information contained in the anonymous communication, it is not believed that further investigation is warranted.

Very truly yours,

*CCS:FD*  
C. C. SPEARS

Special Agent in Charge.

CCS:FD

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cc-Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago.  
San Francisco

Q

Balmorea, Tex.

April 29, 1936

Federal Dept. Investigation

U.S. Dept. Justice 5-7-36 ans. cc El Paso

Washington, D.C. 7-576-11025

Gentlemen:

I saw your reward  
in the Balmorea Post  
Office for a man by the  
name of Alvin Karpis,  
and thought I might be  
of some help to you. The  
description of this man,  
with the exception of the  
scar on his left index  
finger, corresponds exactly  
with a man whom I knew  
in the C.C.C. Camp here -  
1000 W. 1st St. Bldg. 5

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This man went by  
the name of Elmer  
Campbell. I was in  
C.C.C. Camp no. 1856 at  
Balmorhea Texas from  
July 15, 1934 to August  
30, 1934. I did not have  
enough personal dealings  
with him to find out  
about the scar ~~of~~ on  
his left index finger. He  
never did have much  
to talk about, was of  
a solemn nature. I  
have a picture of him  
which was made in  
October 21, 1934. The  
picture corresponds

exactly with the one  
on the reward sheet.

I have enclosed the  
picture for your convenience.

Hoping this information  
leads to the arrest of  
Alvin Karpis I am.

Yours very sincerely,  
N. C. Huebner Jr.

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May 7, 1936

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Mr. M. C. Huelster, Jr.,  
Balmorhea, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter dated April 29, 1936, to which was attached a photograph of a person whom you believe to be identical with Alvin Karpis, and whom you knew while attending a Civilian Conservation Corps camp at Balmorhea, Texas, during July and August, 1934.

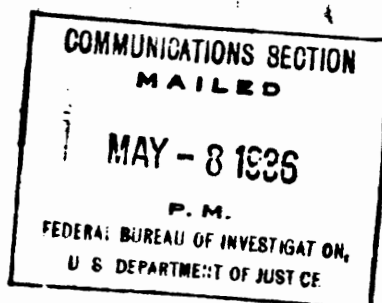
Inasmuch as Alvin Karpis was taken into custody by Special Agents of this Bureau at New Orleans, Louisiana, on May 1, 1936, no action is being taken in this matter, and the photograph which you transmitted is being returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #1124477  
cc-El Paso

No enclosure retained in Bureau files



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

MILWAUKEE FILE NO. 7-2

REPORT MADE AT Milwaukee, Wisconsin	DATE WHEN MADE 4/29/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/18, 24/36	REPORT MADE BY T. G. MELVIN TGM:OM
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> Investigation at Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, discloses that Peaches Butler resides at 8733 Glencoe Circle. Peaches Butler former inmate of call house of Edith Barry of Toledo, Ohio.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Letters from the Cleveland Office to the Milwaukee Office dated 4-7-36 and 4-11-36; letter from the Chicago Office to the Director dated 3-10-36; letter from Chicago Office to St. Louis Office dated 3-13-36; report of T. G. Melvin dated at Milwaukee, Wis. 3-31-36; report of Special Agent J. S. Bush dated at St. Louis 4-8-36; and report of Special Agent R. C. Suran dated at Chicago, Illinois 3-23-36.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b> AT WAUWATOSA, WISCONSIN.</p> <p>Agent endeavored to ascertain the occupants of the residence located at 8733 Glencoe Circle, for the purpose of determining if anyone answering the description of Helen or Marie (Peaches) Butler was residing at this address by observing this residence from time to time. It appeared, however, that the occupants of this home stayed within most of the time and accordingly, on April 17, 1936, Agent called at this address, and using a pretext that he was an adjuster from an insurance company, interviewed Marie Butler, who answered the door. She furnished her name as Marie Butler when questioned as to the occupants who might have been involved in the supposed</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>V. W. Peterson</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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automobile accident. She came to the door dressed in an apron and it appears is keeping house. Her description answers that previously furnished by the Cleveland Office with the exception that she weighs about 135 to 140 pounds, and while her hair has the appearance of being blonde, it is apparent that same has been dyed as near the roots it is brown in color. This information was furnished to the Cleveland Office by letter dated April 18, 1936.

As a result of a mail cover maintained on the mail going to the wioski family, relatives of Belle Born, Hurley, Wisconsin, the following tracings were received.

To Frank Wioski, 207 Silver Street, Hurley, Wisconsin, from John N. Gerneck, 1346 East Vernor Highway, Detroit, Michigan, postmarked Detroit, Michigan, April 16, 1936, 7:30 P.M.

To Mr. and Mrs. "Count" Wioski, Blue Ribbon Casino, 207 Silver Street, Hurley, Wisconsin, from Floyd Evans, 1301 - 14th Street, North Chicago, Illinois, postmarked Waukegan, Illinois, April 22, 1936, 7:30 A.M.

To Mr. Frank J. Wioski, 207 Silver Street, Hurley, Wisconsin, from Stewart & McGuire, Inc., Empire State Building, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York, postmarked New York, New York April 6, 1936, 8:00 P.M.

To The Blue Ribbon Company, 207 Silver, Hurley, Wisconsin, with no return address, postmarked Habana, Cuba, April 3, 1936, 8:30 P.M.

No leads are being set out to interview the parties corresponding with the wioski family as same is being left to the Office of Origin.

Relative to the mineral springs and sulfur springs located in the State of Wisconsin which possibly might be frequented by Harry Campbell for rheumatism, Agent ascertained from the Wisconsin State Chamber of Commerce, 1453 Bankers Building, Milwaukee, Wisconsin that there are no health resorts in Wisconsin for the treatment of rheumatism. Agent was advised that at Waukesha, Wisconsin there are mud baths which are chiefly for the treatment of diabetes.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

The MILWAUKEE BUREAU OFFICE will conduct investigation at Slinger, Columbus, Medford, and Milwaukee, Wisconsin for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of the recipients of long distance calls

made to these points from Peoria 6913, 516½ North Adams Street,  
Peoria, Illinois, the address of Red Mallon.

At Waupun, Wisconsin, the Milwaukee Office will interview  
John Sampson and Richard Graham at the Wisconsin State Prison for the  
purpose of obtaining information relative to the persons who aided  
Volney Davis at Aurora, Illinois on February 6 and 7, 1935.

The Milwaukee Office will also conduct investigation at  
Hawkins, Wisconsin, Rush County, to determine the identity, character  
and occupation of Ed Lyons, Box 141, Hawkins, Wisconsin, who is in  
correspondence with someone at 516½ North Adams Street, Peoria, Illi-  
nois.

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KRM:MC

May 1, 1936.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

7-576

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim;  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the  
Attorney General has requested that the Bureau transmit  
to Mr. W. Sanders Grawling, Assistant United States Attorney,  
Miami, Florida, one copy of the summary report which was  
prepared at the Bureau setting forth all of the evidence  
available against Joseph E. Adams and Henry Duke Randall.

In keeping with this request, I am transmitting  
to you herewith one copy of said summary report with the  
request that it be immediately transmitted to Mr. Grawling  
at Miami, Florida.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago  
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Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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May 1, 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, El Paso

BREKID REFERENCE INDIVIDUAL HELD MEXICAN AUTHORITIES CHIHUAHUA  
CITY ENDEAVOR OBTAIN FINGERPRINTS THIS PERSON AND FORWARD  
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*Alvin Karpis*

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BREKID ~~GRACE GOLDSTEIN~~ <sup>Now</sup> NOT BEING HELD THIS OFFICE STOP QUESTIONING THUS  
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DR. J. E. KENT  
Dentist  
EL CAMPO, TEXAS

Apr 22. 1936-

Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Please send me circular picture  
set of Alvin<sup>(1)</sup> Karpis & Harry<sup>(2)</sup> Campbell.  
Many new faces in Wharton Co. Airfield.  
It is up to the citizen to help 7-576-110

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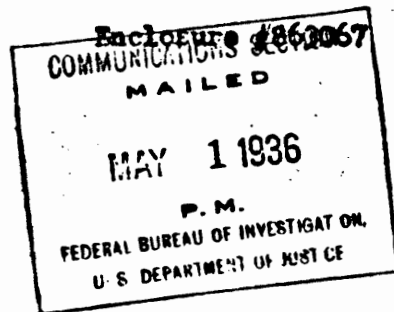
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Dr. J. E. Kent,  
El Campo, Texas.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of April 22, 1936,  
there is transmitted herewith one copy each of the reward  
circulars issued by the Bureau relative to Alvin Karpis  
and Harry Campbell, which may be of some assistance to  
you.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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*Handwritten signature: J. Edgar Hoover*

*Handwritten initials: BSM*

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April 24, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Reference is made to the attached memorandum addressed to the Director dated April 21, 1936, submitted by Mr. Tamm concerning the fund available for payment of rewards.

This is to advise you that there was no provision in the 1937 Appropriation Act making available such a fund for payment of rewards during the fiscal year 1937. I have spoken to Mr. Elmer Butts, Assistant General Agent of the Department, concerning this matter and he advised me that at the end of this fiscal year, it is the intention of the Department to again go before the Bureau of the Budget and make a definite request that the unexpended portion of the present reward fund be continued during the fiscal year 1937.

Mr. Butts advised me that the Department believed that handling the matter in this way would assure the Department of having this fund available for 1937.

I will follow this matter closely and will keep you advised concerning any developments pertaining to it.

Respectfully,

W. R. Glavin.

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April 21, 1936.

Time - 6:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Holtzoff telephoned me relative to the question of the availability of money for the purpose of backing up the reward notices on Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and said that the Supplemental Appropriation Act, approved on February 11, 1936, contains a provision that the unexpended balance of the appropriation, payment of rewards under criminal laws, Department of Justice, 1934 and 1935, contained in the deficiency appropriation act, fiscal year 1934, is continued available for the same purposes until June 30, 1936.

Thus, by virtue of this, we are assured of the money until June 30, 1936, but whether or not the Departmental appropriation for the fiscal year 1936-37 will contain another appropriation for this purpose is another question, and one to be determined when the final appropriation is approved.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**

**Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida**

RBN:PAL

April 30, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: SUPPLIES

Please forward as soon as possible to the Jacksonville Office 6,000 - 9½ x 12½ manila envelopes, franked. These envelopes are necessary in the distribution of the reward circulars on Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell recently received from the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*

R. B. Nathan,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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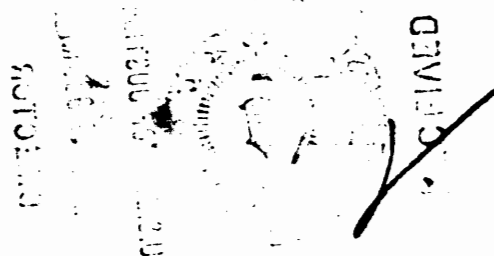
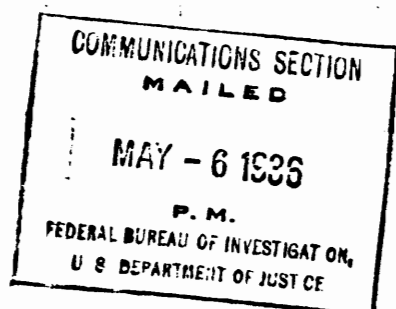
Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of April 30, 1936, you are advised that there have been ordered for delivery to your office 8,000 number ten, white franked envelopes instead of the manilla envelopes as requested. The Bureau desires that the reward circulars on Harry Campbell be folded and mailed out in these number ten envelopes.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 1, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

During the period of the surveillance of Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 North Franciscan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois it was learned that John Post and his wife Mrs. Katie Post were intimate friends of the Karpavicz family, and during the Posts' numerous visits to the Karpavicz apartment numerous conversations were overheard between the Posts and the Karpavicz family concerning Alvin Karpis. However nothing was overheard which would indicate that the Post family was in contact with or knew the whereabouts of Karpis.

The Post family has moved from Chicago and a mail tracing recently received by the Chicago office as the result of a cover on the mail of the Karpavicz family indicates that Mr. and Mrs. Post are now residing at 1375 East 18th Street, Brooklyn, New York. Due to the intimate relationship between the Post and Karpavicz family, it is suggested that your office place a cover on all mail addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Post, and conduct such other investigation as is possible to determine the activities of Mr. and Mrs. Post. It is suggested that possibly your office might establish an informant in the vicinity of 1375 East 18th Street, Brooklyn, New York who would keep you advised as to the activities of the Posts.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
April 28, 1936.

Time - 9:07 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned SAC MacFarland at the Cleveland Office to inquire as to the developments in the situation involving the activities of the Post Office Inspectors in that district. This is the situation in which the Post Office Inspectors have filed complaints against the subjects of the above entitled case for the Garrettsville train robbery, and about which Mr. MacFarland and I had a telephonic discussion yesterday at which time it was decided we would pick up our informant in Toledo, Edith Barry, in order that we could protect our interests. Mr. MacFarland said that they did not pick this woman up for the reason that the necessity therefor evidently did not exist. He said they had quite a conference about this matter with Mr. Hettick, who is in charge of the Post Office Inspectors' investigation in that district, and Mr. Hettick informed they did not anticipate going into Toledo to apprehend anyone. Mr. MacFarland said he indicated to Mr. Hettick in view of the setup which the Bureau has in Toledo that if there was any undue activity by the Post Office Inspectors, it might ruin all of our carefully planned plans. Mr. Hettick indicated he was well aware of our setup there, and said he did not intend to go into Toledo and do anything without first notifying the Cleveland Office.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

508 Medical Arts Building,  
Nashville, Tennessee,  
May 2, 1936..

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Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 28, 1936, addressed to the Aberdeen Office of the Bureau, requesting that an immediate check of the files on any unsolved bank robbery cases now under investigation in which new and uncut currency constituted a part of the loot be made.

Please be advised that a review of the files at this office reflects that there are no unsolved bank robbery cases in this district and that the files on bank robbery cases in this district do not indicate that any new and uncut currency constituted any part of the loot.

Very truly yours,

*T. N. Stapleton*

T. N. STAPLETON  
Special Agent in Charge

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Oklahoma City

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*E. G. Brown*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

April 28, 1936.

Time - 9:15 A.M.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned SAC Reinecke at the Detroit Office with reference to the lead on Karpis at Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan, and told him that during the course of the day, I was going to discuss this situation with Mr. Connelley to get his reaction and suggestions. Mr. Reinecke mentioned, incidentally, that the Sheriff who is a party to this identification of Karpis is the same Sheriff who assisted us in the investigation of the Dillinger matter.

Mr. Reinecke said that he has instructed the Agents who are up there checking on this matter to call him as soon as they are able to evaluate the situation as it stands at this time, and when he hears from them, he will immediately telephone me.

Time - 10:20 A.M.

I contacted Mr. Connelley at New Orleans and read to him in its entirety the telegram which the Bureau received last night from Mr. Reinecke. With reference to that portion thereof which states that the person identified as Karpis is a little fleshier than the photograph of Karpis, Mr. Connelley said that this becomes a very important point when one considers the fact that the clothes of Karpis which we recovered in the house near Hot Springs, Arkansas, especially the breeches, had a waist measurement of about 26 inches.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Connelley said he does not believe Karpis is in the vicinity of Sault Sainte Marie for the reason that he believes he is right there in New Orleans at this time. He said that they picked Grace Goldstein up on the street yesterday, and no one knows we have her. Mr. Connelley said that he does not know whether this woman is weakening or not, but she did make some mention of what happened to Anna Sage, etc. He said that he somehow does not believe she is weakening much on account of the associations which she has had with Joe Wakelin, the Chief of Police at Hot Springs. Mr. Connelley said apparently Joe Wakelin and Dutch Ackers, Chief of Detectives, have gotten together and are trying to work out something

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whereby they can get the \$5,000 reward and still save Joe Wakelin from prosecution. [REDACTED] L/C

With reference to Informant [REDACTED] his benefit down in that vicinity is over, and he is accordingly going to be sent back to Youngstown and Toledo. He says he may be able to find Campbell for us if he is sent back into that vicinity, and he is to be used for this purpose.

Concerning the investigation in New Orleans, Mr. Connelley said it is going to be more or less a process of elimination until we find the doctor who is treating Connie. After we do this, we can put a plant on there, and possibly a couple of other plants if the situation works that way, and then we will be able to find out where this girl lives.

Relative to the subject of manpower in this investigation in New Orleans, Mr. Connelley said that there are, according to Mr. Magee, six good men in the New Orleans Office who are available. Then, too, SAC Brantley, Special Agents Hurt and Buchanan can proceed to Dallas and get an airplane out of there to New Orleans and be there within three or four hours. Mr. Connelley believes the situation will shape up in such a manner that he will have sufficient time to bring some additional men in there if they will be needed.

Time - 1:30 P.M.

Mr. Reinecke telephoned me from the Detroit Office with reference to the lead in Sault Sainte Marie in this case and said the situation briefly is this: Francis McDougall, a postal clerk, yesterday in a casual conversation with Sheriff Welch mentioned that during the past three weeks two men had been coming to the Post Office and the taller of the two had been calling for mail general delivery from Toledo and Cleveland, and had received a few letters from those points. The shorter of the two men, he thought, had the features of Alvin Karpis. McDougall at the time had an I.O. and a circular on Karpis in front of him at the office which made him realize the features of the two persons were very similar. The Agents have talked with this man for some time, and the more he looks at the pictures of Karpis the less he is sure that the two persons are identical. These two persons apparently are still in Sault Sainte Marie, and the postal clerk says he believes he can take the Agents out and find the automobile in which the two men are traveling so that the license number can be obtained and checked.

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Memo for the Director

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I told Mr. Reinecke this phase of the investigation should go forward by all means and an effort made to determine who these parties are and where they reside. I suggested that if they are located and it is determined they are not as a matter of fact the subjects of this case, they should be discreetly interviewed under suitable pretext to see just who they are.

The developments and results of this investigation will be furnished to the Bureau as they occur.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

Post Office Box 4907  
Jacksonville, Florida

RE: RAL

April 30, 1936

Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Chicago, Illinois.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 23, 1936, addressed to the Cleveland Office, in which suggestion was made that all airports be furnished with sufficient copies of the reward circulars on Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in order that any privately owned plane services may have a copy of same, and stating that copies of the above-mentioned letter were being furnished to all field offices in order that they may make similar arrangements.

Please be advised that a circular letter was addressed to the managers of airports in the district of the Jacksonville Office, requesting that they distribute the above-mentioned reward circulars to all plane owners at their fields, a sufficient number of copies of the circulars being enclosed with this letter.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge, M.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
607 U. S. Court House, Foley Square  
New York City, New York.

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Box 473 K  
Florence Arizona  
Bureau of Investigation  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sirs

Please send me pictures  
of Alvin Karpis and any  
other information that will  
help me to identify him.  
I can't be sure I don't  
know him. A picture

I saw in one of the  
Mcadden publications keeps  
coming back to me. I can't  
be sure.

I will telegraph your  
office if in my judgement  
the description suits.  
Strictest confidence re-  
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Yours Truly,  
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Mr. Oliver Swingle,  
Box 473,  
Florence, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

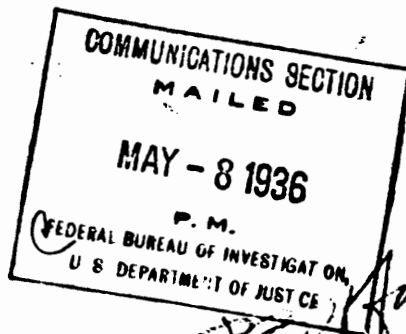
I have your undated letter, which was received in this Bureau on May 4, 1936, requesting a photograph of Alvin Karpis, together with any other available information.

Inasmuch as Alvin Karpis was taken into custody by Special Agents of this Bureau on May 1, 1936, at New Orleans, Louisiana, the requested information is not being furnished.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Phoenix



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P. O. Box #766  
Cincinnati, Ohio

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May 1, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 28, 1936, addressed to the Aberdeen Office, which directed all offices to check bank robbery cases to ascertain if any new and uncut currency had been stolen.

Please be advised that there have been no bank robberies within the territory of the Cincinnati office where such currency was included in the loot.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. Connelley*  
E. J. CONNELLEY,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
et al, Edward George Bremer,  
Victim - KIDNAPING.

For your information I am transmitting herewith  
a copy of a letter received from the Cincinnati Office,  
dated May 1, 1936, advising that there have been no bank  
robberies within the territory of the Cincinnati Office  
wherein new and uncut currency was included in the loot.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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*Confidential Informant*  
*Edmund G. Bremer*  
*\*wire-tapping*

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PHONE. BREKID. AUTHORIZE IMMEDIATELY INSTALLATION TELEPHONE TAP EDITH  
ELLINGER, CANTON, OHIO, AND EXPENDITURE SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS TO COVER  
EXPENSE TELEPHONE TAP. AUTHORITY ALSO REQUESTED EXPENDITURE SIXTY  
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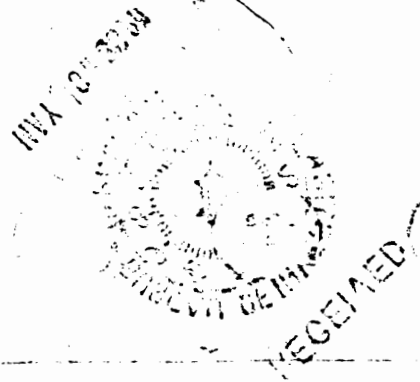
AUTHORITY GRANTED INSTALL TELEPHONE TAP EDITH ELLINGER CANTON OHIO

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US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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BREXID POSTMASTER FORT BRANCH INDIANA REPORTS MAN ENGAGED THERE  
YESTERDAY SELLING WATCHES IDENTIFIED AS HARRY CAMPBELL FROM BUREAU  
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*Edward G. Bremer*

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 30, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID  
Bureau file 7-576

Reference is made to Bureau letter addressed to the Little Rock office dated April 16, 1936, advising that the fingerprints of Grace Goldie, F.B.I. No. 619046 had been compared with the latent fingerprints developed from articles obtained from a house near Potash Sulphur Springs, Arkansas in connection with the above entitled case.

Please be advised that from the description as previously furnished by the Bureau it appears that Grace Goldie is not identical with Grace Goldstein, woman companion of Alvin Karpis. However it is requested that you furnish the Cleveland, Little Rock and Chicago offices with a photograph of Grace Goldie, F.B.I. No. 619046, in order that it may be displayed to our informants to definitely determine whether she is identical with Grace Goldstein.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 30, 1936 in connection with the Brekid case in which you request that photographs of Grace Golde, FBI-619046, be furnished the Cleveland, Little Rock and Chicago offices.

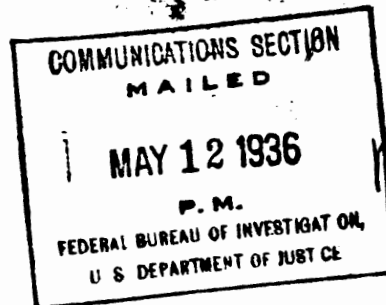
In accordance with that request there is being forwarded herewith a photograph of Grace Golde, FBI-619046 for identification purposes.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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cc-Cleveland  
Little Rock



501 Healey Building  
Atlanta, Georgia

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AIR MAIL

May 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the Cleveland Office dated April 21, 1936, requesting complete information concerning the record of William F. Hunter, who is at present incarcerated in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia.

Please be advised that the records of the Atlanta Penitentiary disclosed that John Will. Hunt alias William Hunter, number 45361, was born on August 13, 1897 in Cleveland, Ohio; that he was arrested in Webster Springs, West Virginia for violation of the Internal Revenue Act and as a result of his conviction at Charleston, West Virginia, was received on December 19, 1934 at the Atlanta Penitentiary to serve a sentence of two years; that Hunt's term expires on June 29, 1936 and that a wanted notice has been filed against Hunt by the Sheriff at Warren, Ohio on charges of armed larceny.

The Penitentiary records disclose that Buckhannon, West Virginia is listed as Hunt's residence; that according to Hunt, his mother died during December, 1910 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; that his father, George W. Hunt, aged 72 years, is alive but that Hunt knows nothing concerning his present whereabouts; that Hunt has no other living relatives; that the only brother he ever had died from gunshot wounds accidentally received. The prison records disclose that in case of death Jack Lewiston, a friend residing in Princeton, West Virginia, should be notified. The records further disclose that Hunt is single; that he is a boilermaker's helper by trade; that during 1928 and 1929 he was employed by the Gillen Transfer Company of Millvale, Pennsylvania; that he also performed odd jobs in Buckhannon and Frenchtown, West Virginia.

The following persons appear as references: Jack Lewiston, Frenchtown, West Virginia; John Gillen, Millvale, Pa.; and William Brennan, Highland Ave., Millvale, Pa.

The Penitentiary records disclose that Hunt has never received or sent a letter during his incarceration.

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Very truly yours, E. E. CONROY Special Agent in Charge
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# Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington Field Office, Room 5252  
Washington, D. C.

May 2, 1936

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

In accordance with a verbal request received from Mr. McIntire of the Bureau, May 2, 1936, Special Agent R. P. Burruss ascertained from Miss J. C. Hevener, Registration Division, Bureau of Air Commerce, Department of Commerce, that a Waco plane No. NC 15246, is owned by Cecil Wayne McCollum, 1528 West Jackson Street, Spokane, Washington. He holds an amateur pilot license #34300. The Department of Commerce records indicate that he was born March 16, 1911 at Devol, Oklahoma, weighs 175 pounds, is six feet tall, has dark brown hair and blue eyes. His photograph is available at the Department of Commerce if the same is subsequently required.

The plane referred to above was further described by Mr. McIntire as bearing No. M-NC 15246. Miss Hevener has informed Agent Burruss that she is unable to reconcile the letter "M" with the records pertaining to this plane.

The above referred to Waco plane is subject to a lien in the name of Clarence Theodore Rottler, 1915 Crescent Drive, Seattle, Washington. He holds a student pilot license which was issued to him September 11, 1935. The Department of Commerce records indicate that he was born at Hagerstown, Maryland, March 9, 1889, is 5'7" tall, weighs 160 pounds, has black hair and brown eyes.

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Miss J. C. Hevener further informed Agent Burruss that a wire requesting substantially the same information as indicated above, was received May 1, 1936 from Chris T. Sox, Sheriff, El Paso, Texas, and in accordance with the request the information was telegraphed to him.

The above data was verbally furnished by Mr. Thompson, Acting Special Agent in Charge, to Mr. McIntire of the Bureau, May 2, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Keith

J. M. KEITH, *SKT*  
Special Agent in Charge.

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OFFICE OF THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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I have been a suspect in your character here since about June 1935.

I did not know what you looked like till I went over to Johnson City yesterday to see his picture, and the man I have in mind.

resembles the picture, is the same height & weight apparently. This man wears a fancy mustache very pronounced. This man I noticed first here after seeing him at Johnson City, catching a C & O train with a Gladstone bag - and for over 3 months he has done odd jobs once & a while at the A & P Store here.

(1) In regard to the Campbell Man I saw a man with crutches against his chair on Erwin Hotel porch the other day after seeing this man's picture. He apparently is about the age of the man the picture name was  
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or the Highway as you start  
out of Erwin.

Yours Truly

W R Hill  
407 Walnut St



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Erwin Tenn -  
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Mr J Edgar Hoover Director  
Department of Justice  
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Mr. W. R. Hill,  
407 Walnut Street,  
Erwin, Tennessee.

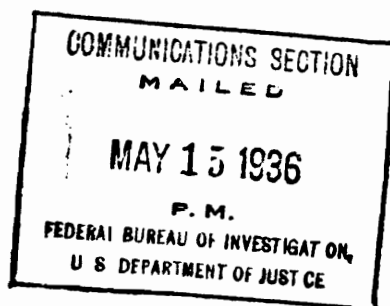
Dear Sir:

I appreciate the information contained in your letter of May 1, 1936, referring to Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, but I must inform you that Alvin Karpis was taken into custody by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on May 1, 1936, at New Orleans, Louisiana, while Harry Campbell was likewise apprehended by Special Agents in Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

cc-Nashville



1443 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 1, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

I am enclosing herewith a picture containing two photographs, Grace Goldstein on the left, and Connie Morris on the right, which picture was secured from Post Office Inspector Cordrey by Special Agent (A) Robert T. Ross of this office.

It is suggested that a sufficient number of these photographs be developed by your office and forwarded to the Bureau and various Bureau offices, inasmuch as the photographs appear to be excellent ones.

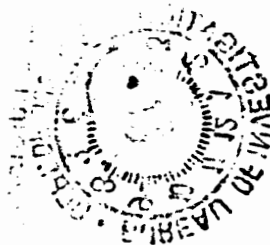
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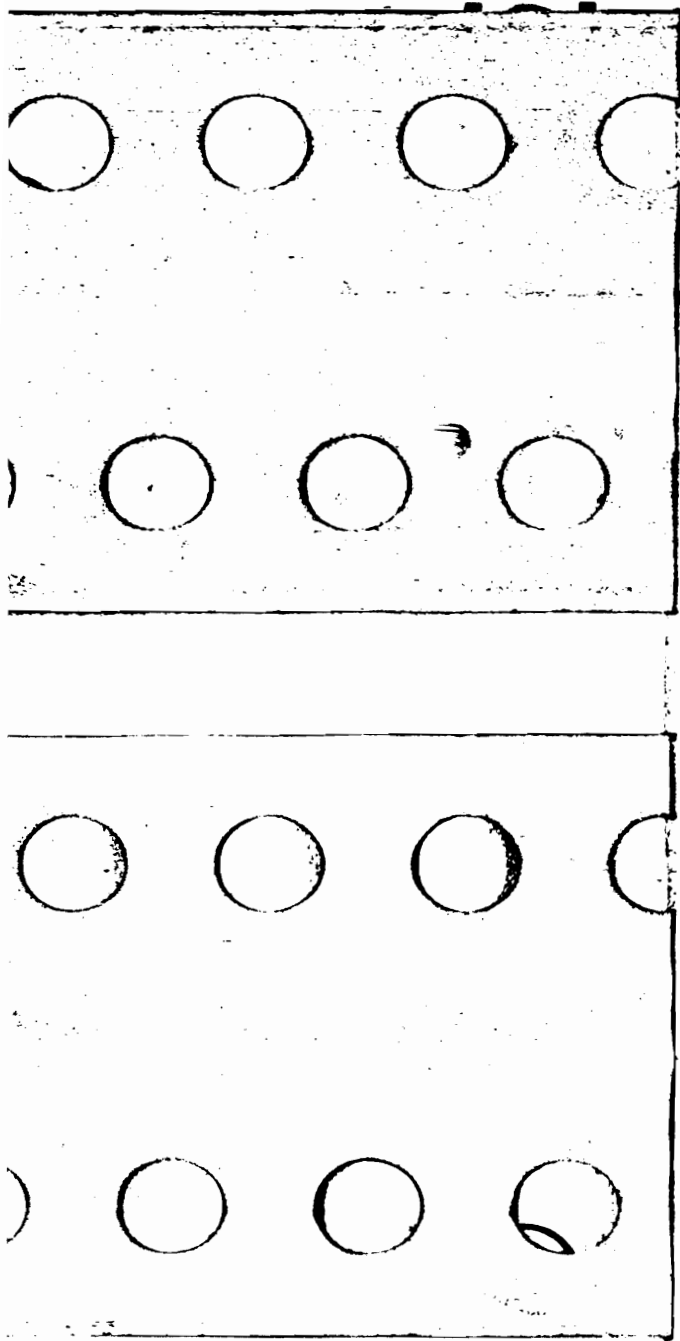


J. P. MacFarland  
Special Agent in Charge

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Route 6, <sup>W</sup>  
Concord, N.H.  
Fri. May 1, 1936

U.S. Dept. of Justice  
Es- 7 Dear Sir:

If it is at all convenient, will you send me a picture and/or a description of Alvin Karpis. I am a seventeen year old student in my senior year at Concord High School.

Sincerely Yours,  
Norman L. Maynard

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Mr. Norman L. Maynard,  
Route 6,  
Concord, New Hampshire.

Dear Sir:

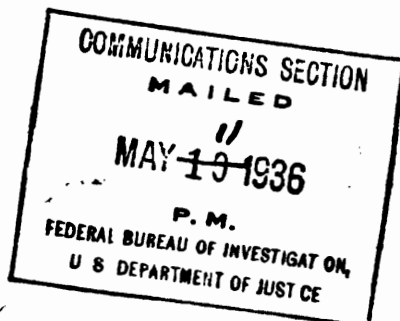
Acknowledgment is made of your letter dated May 1,  
1936. There is transmitted herewith one copy of Identification  
Order #1218, which was prepared in this office concerning Alvin  
Karpis, containing pertinent data relative to this person. A  
copy of his photograph is also attached.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Enclosure #1134169

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 2, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- RE: BREKID

According to information received from the office of the United States Attorney at Miami, and from the United States Marshal at Jacksonville, it is contemplated that Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette will be brought by the Marshal to Miami on May 18, 1936, as witnesses in the pending trial of Joseph H. Adams and Henry (Duke) Randall.

Mr. Guy C. Reeve, the United States Marshal at Jacksonville, mentioned to me today, that it is his understanding that these two prisoners will also be wanted at Jacksonville at the trial of Myrtle Eaton, which is expected to be had during the first two weeks of June, 1936. Mr. Reeve advised that it appeared to him that it would be desirable to keep these two women in Florida until both cases have been disposed of, rather than to return them to Milan, Michigan after the completion of the trial at Miami.

I advised Mr. Reeve that I had no information concerning the contemplated action in this connection, but that his suggestion would be referred to the Bureau for appropriate consideration.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Nathan*

R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 6, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
I. O. #1218, et al.;  
Edward George Bremer, Victim -  
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of May 2, 1936, concerning information received from the office of the United States Attorney at Miami, Florida, and from the United States Marshal at Jacksonville, Florida, relative to the desirability of holding Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette in custody in Florida pending the disposition of the trial of Joseph H. Adams and Henry (Duke) Randall and the trial of Myrtle Eaton, it is suggested that you consult the United States Attorney and suggest to him that the contemplated action concerning these two women, who are presently incarcerated at Milan, Michigan, be referred by the United States Attorney to the Department for appropriate consideration, inasmuch as it does not appear to be a matter in which the Bureau should express an opinion.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**U. S. Department of Justice**  
P. O. Drawer 567  
San Francisco, California

April 30, 1936.

Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 23, 1936, to the Cleveland Bureau Office, in which it is suggested that all airports be furnished with reward notices on Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

For your information and in order to facilitate the circularization of the airports by the various field offices of this Bureau, attention is directed to the fact that a bulletin is published by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Air Commerce, entitled, "Descriptions of Airports and Landing Fields in the United States," dated January 1, 1936, copies of which are available at the offices of the United States Department of Commerce in the principal cities in the United States.

Very truly yours,

*W. L. Listerman*  
W. L. LISTERMAN  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

May 2, 1936  
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Dear Sir:-

RE: HREXID

It is noted that the report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, dated Jacksonville, April 25, 1936, indicated on Page 3, that a letter probably written by Charles C. Long, was being transmitted to the Cincinnati Office for possible value in this case.

This letter was inadvertently not so transmitted and is being attached hereto.

Very truly yours,

H. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 1, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to your letter dated March 28, 1936 addressed to the Washington Field office, requesting that office to secure photographs of JOHN KETZER of Port Clinton, Ohio, who was the pilot of the plane used by subject Karpis in flying from Port Clinton, Ohio to Hot Springs, Arkansas on November 8, 1935.

I am enclosing herewith Toledo, Ohio Police Department photograph of John Ketzer, with the suggestion that additional copies be made and furnished to offices designated by you, and at least six of these photographs be furnished to the Cleveland office, together with the original. In addition I am furnishing one photograph each of Joe Rich and Eddie Brennan of Canton, Ohio. It is to be recalled that Joe Rich is at the present time under observation, indications being that he is a definite contact of Karpis, and that Karpis was associated in Canton with Rich between January 16th and 21st, 1936. Eddie Brennan is a close associate of Joe Rich. As previously indicated in this investigation, Archie Hegleman claims that Joe Rich and Eddie Brennan were involved in the robbery of a bank at Conneautville, Pennsylvania, and investigation in order to establish their identities in connection with this particular job is now being conducted. It is suggested that photographs of Rich and Brennan be developed and supplied to each office receiving a copy of this letter.

Also enclosed are photographs of Edward Siemund and Jake Gilmore of Canton, Ohio. It is to be recalled that Archie Hegleman stated that he met Harry Campbell in Toledo in company with Edward Siemund. Siemund and Gilmore have been associated in the past in hi-jackings and it is thought that they are both in Toledo at the present time, although investigation has failed to locate them there. It is requested that sufficient photographs of each of these individuals be developed and that

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you furnish each office receiving a copy of this letter with photographs,  
and in addition, six photographs of each should be furnished to the  
Cleveland office, together with the original photographs.

Very truly yours,

WJW/EJB

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Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

May 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: B. KID

Confirming long distance telephone conversation of May 1, 1936 had with Special Agent John B. Little of your office by Special Agent E. J. Wynn of this office, please be advised that Edith Barry, who is being considered at this time in the capacity of a confidential informant, and whose relation with this case is not to be disclosed, has recently stated that in the late fall of 1935 there appeared at her call house of prostitution at Toledo, an individual known only to her as Tommy, whom she described as follows:

Age	-	About 40 years
Height	-	About 5'9"
Weight	-	About 150 pounds
Complexion	-	Swarthy and dark
Hair	-	Black
Nationality	-	Part Indian
Teeth	-	Upper set gold
Speech	-	Southwestern accent.

Edith Barry stated that this individual called at her house and advised her that he was acquainted with Karpis and Campbell and knew that the last two mentioned individuals had frequented her house in the past, and during the course of conversation with Edith Barry, Tommy advised her, among other things, that he had served ten or eleven years in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, having been released in the late summer or early fall of 1935; that he was intimately acquainted with Karpis and Campbell, and as a matter of fact Karpis was instrumental in securing his release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma and he further advised Edith Barry that Harry Campbell had married some young unsophisticated girl in the summer of 1935, indicating that this girl was the daughter of some farmer in the state of Michigan, and that possibly the marriage took place in Michigan; that Harry Campbell, some time during the summer of 1935, was arrested in Detroit for running through

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a red light and paid a fine; that there was some difficulty experienced in securing Tommy's release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, it appearing that the president of some bank was actively engaged in protesting his release. However, this difficulty was overcome. Upon his release he allegedly joined Karpis some place in the southwest at a place near a lake, shortly before a raid was conducted on the premises abandoned by Karpis.

Edith Barry further stated that on one occasion Tommy called her house on the telephone and requested that she send a prostitute to the home of Edward McGraw, who resides at 2011 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio, with his wife, Clara McGraw. The present indications are that this house is a house of assignation and is possibly frequented by criminals, and further that Campbell may have met the woman to whom he is alleged to be married, at this address, namely, one Gladys, last name unknown.

It appears, according to Edith Barry, that since first appearing in Toledo in the fall of 1935, Tommy has been more or less a frequent visitor at her home, and on occasions she has gone out with him, and at such times as he was intoxicated he would give her information, however, she stated that he has not been to her home since shortly after the newspaper accounts of the raid in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

For the benefit of the New Orleans and St. Paul offices conducting interrogation of Fred Hunter, it will be well to bear in mind that Edith Barry recently identified photograph of Fred Hunter as an individual known to her as Freddy, who appeared at her home in Toledo with Karpis on the occasion of the latter's last visit to her home in the fall of 1935; that Fred Hunter at that time was apparently acting as chauffeur for Karpis, and at the time he called at her home they both came in, but Freddy stayed but a few minutes and left, later calling for Karpis at her place. She was particularly impressed with the fact that Fred Hunter had a slight impediment in his speech.

One Archie Negleman, a bootlegger who is now serving a sentence at the Northeastern Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, has apparently in the past had some contact with Karpis, or at least some contact with Joe Rich, Eddie Brennan and Edward Siemund of Canton, Ohio, who are thought to have at some time or another been associated with Karpis. According to Negleman he met Campbell in Toledo on one or more occasions at the premises of Edward Siemund. Siemund at the present time is a fugitive from Canton, Ohio, as is his partner Jake Gilmore and they are both thought to be in Toledo, however, their whereabouts in that city has not been ascertained.

Recent indications have pointed to the fact that undoubtedly Harry Campbell is located at Toledo at the present time.

The Chicago office will please refer to letter from the Cleveland office dated May 1, 1936, forwarding to that office photographs of Siemund and Gilmore, and will immediately forward photographs of these two individuals to the New Orleans and St. Paul offices.

The office conducting the interrogation of Fred Hunter should consider the advisability of ascertaining from him information with reference to the possible identification of Tommy referred to by Edith Barry, and also whether or not he is acquainted with Eddie Siemund and Jake Gilmore, and if so their present whereabouts, as this information may furnish a clue as to the present whereabouts of Campbell.

The Oklahoma City office will please conduct appropriate investigation at Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, for the purpose of securing identification of Tommy referred to by Edith Barry, furnishing the Cleveland and interested offices with full information, together with photographs.

Very truly yours,

WJW/SJB

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J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 314,  
Birmingham, Alabama,  
May 3, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to report of Special Agent F. T. McIntyre, Jr., Birmingham, dated April 16, 1936.

Special Agent McIntyre has been keeping in close touch with the Alcazar Hotel at Clarksdale, Mississippi, and with other persons in Clarksdale with a view to obtaining any information indicating that Karpis and his latest associates had returned to Clarksdale.

Mr. J. C. Carter of the 1200 Tire Company, Clarksdale, Mississippi, informed Agent McIntyre that on Sunday morning, April 19, 1936, two men and a woman appeared at the service station in a gun-metal colored 1936 Ford Coupe, this automobile bearing 1936 Arkansas license plates number 68-424. While obtaining gasoline the party driving the car asked Mr. Carter for directions to Greenville, Mississippi, and at the same time he requested information as to the exact distance from Memphis, Tennessee, to Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Carter described the man driving the automobile as follows: age - 25 or 26; height - about 6 feet; build - slender.

He described the other man as follows: age - 32; height - 5'8"; weight - about 155 pounds.

The woman was described as about 25 years of age, and a medium blonde.

On receipt of the photographs of Ruth Hamm, alias Connie Morris, and Grace Goldberg, McIntyre exhibited the same to Mr. Carter, who stated that the photograph of Connie Morris, particularly the snapshot in the standing posture, resembled the girl who was in the car at the time.

In accordance with our telephone conversation of today,

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it is requested that you check on 1936 Arkansas license plate number 68-424 to determine to whom same are registered and to ascertain whether this license plate has any connection with subjects of this case. At the time of the telephone call made to you this office did not have any definite information that Connie Morris was in custody, but inasmuch as there is a possibility that subject Campbell might have some connection with this license plate, it is suggested that this check be made at once.

Very truly yours,

E. P. GUINANE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CC-Bureau ✓  
Chicago  
Cincinnati  
St. Paul

P. O. Box 536  
Los Angeles, California  
April 28, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letters dated April 21 to the Cleveland Office of the Bureau, and April 24 to the Little Rock Office of the Bureau, transmitting copies of photographs of MILTON LETT, SAM COOKER, FRED HUNTER, GRACE GOLDSTEIN, and CONNOR LAMM.

It is respectfully requested that the Chicago Office furnish the Los Angeles Office with twenty additional copies of each of these photographs as well as twenty copies of the best recognizable photographs of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, so that each Agent of the Los Angeles Office may have in their possession at all times the pictures of these individuals.

This request is being made of the Chicago Office because it is felt that the cost of these pictures to the Bureau would be less being finished by Chicago than being finished by commercial photographers inasmuch as the Los Angeles Office has no facilities for rephotographing and developing such additional prints.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON  
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

It will be appreciated if you will forward to this office twelve photographs of ~~SA~~ ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~.

Also will you please furnish this office with copies of the photograph of LUCILLE ~~PERKINS~~ (Mrs. Milton ~~Lett~~) if such photograph is available at your office?

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

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May 1, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

BRKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to Bureau letter dated April 28, 1936, to the Aberdeen Bureau Office, copy of which was received here and which relates to a quantity of money observed in a bag belonging to Sancker, certain of which money was said to be in sheets of several bills, principally of the denomination of \$20.00, permit me to advise that no money of the kind mentioned appears to have been stolen in the robbery of any bank which has or is engaging the attention of this office.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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May 1, 1936.

D. M. Ladd  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
1900 Bankers Building  
Chicago, Illinois.

FORWARD AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY DOZEN PHOTOGRAPHS OF SAM COKER

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POST OFFICE BOX 612  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

May 1, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

RE: MURKIN

Reference is made to your letter dated April 19, 1936, addressed to the Cincinnati office suggesting that it might be desirable to place stop notices in the fingerprint files of the Bureau against all confidence men who have been reported to be contacts of William Elmer Mead, inasmuch as it was believed that should any of these confidence men be arrested at a future date, William Elmer Mead might be found to be associating with them. It was further suggested that the complete criminal history of these individuals would undoubtedly be of assistance in locating them for interview or surveillance.

It is believed that this suggestion should be put into effect and it is therefore suggested that the New York and Jacksonville offices review their files and prepare lists of the various confidence men who have been investigated by them, furnishing to the Chicago Bureau office such lists, including such data as will be of assistance to the Bureau in locating the records of these various individuals. This list will then be supplemented by the Chicago Bureau office and furnished to the Bureau, with the request that appropriate wanted notices be placed and that the criminal records of the various individuals be furnished to the interested offices.

Very truly yours,  
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Special Agent

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POST OFFICE BOX 812  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Special Agent in Charge,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. C. Egan dated February 26, 1936, setting forth results of investigation conducted at 3848 Wilcox Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, concerning a telephone call made from the home of John Davenport, Minneapolis, Minnesota to Nevada 5565, Chicago, Illinois which telephone is listed in the name of Mrs. Lucille Roeman.

In the report of reference it is noted that Helen Marks, Helen Kirsch and a woman named Esther Thomason apparently reside at 3848 Wilcox and it appeared that Helen Kirsch and Helen Marks were one and the same individual.

Recently Mrs. John Davenport was interviewed at the St. Paul office and advised that Esther Thomason was a friend of hers whom she had known for several years; that Esther Thomason was first married to a man named Joyce and thereafter married a man named Bill Gaffney, a confidence man now serving a sentence in the Wisconsin State Penitentiary at Waupun, Wisconsin. Mrs. Davenport denied knowing anyone by the name of Marks or Kirsch. In the report of Special Agent John E. Brennan St. Paul dated April 1, 1936 information is contained concerning one Bill Gaffney who was involved with an individual named Glasberg in "flooding" of a woman who operated a millinery store in Mankato, Minnesota in 1934 and Gaffney was alleged to be serving a one to ten year sentence in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois. Bill Gaffney is further referred to in the report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, California March 12, 1936 as a friend of William Elmer Reed.

As the result of a mail cover placed on the mail addressed to 3848 Wilcox, Chicago, Illinois a tracing has been received of a letter addressed to Mrs. Helen Marks at that address bearing the return address of Box C, Kaukaun, Wisconsin. It appears probable that Bill Gaffney might be corresponding with Mrs. Marks and that Helen Marks is identical with Esther Thomason Gaffney.

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It is requested that your office interview Bill Caffney at the Wisconsin State Penitentiary for any information that he may have concerning William Elmer Mead. It appears from the numerous telephone calls and telegrams sent by Helen Marks, as reflected in reference report of Agent Suran that it is possible she is a contact for various confidence men and any information along this line should be obtained from Caffney.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

JOE WAKELIN  
CHIEF OF POLICE

May 2nd, 1936

HERBERT AKERS  
CHIEF OF DETECTIVES

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In regard to any payment of reward on Alvin Karpis would appreciate if you would investigate services rendered by me dating back to Last October and continuing thru to this date, and if my services justify I would like to enter this claim for a portion of the reward.

Trusting that this request is not out of order, and that I may be able to serve you at any time in the future as efficiently as I have tried in the past, I am

Cordially,

*Herbert Akers*  
Chief of Detectives.

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Mr. Aldridge.

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*Edw. L. Brewer*  
*\*Hot Springs National Park Ark Police*

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

May 5, 1936.

Mr. Tolson:

Write back promptly and tell him that  
no information of any kind, from him or anyone else,  
was received in the Bureau leading to the apprehension.  
Therefore, there is no claim to the reward and it  
has been cancelled.

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*Done  
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Mr. Nathan	.....
Mr. Tolson	.....
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May 11, 1936.

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Mr. Herbert Akers,  
Chief of Detectives,  
Police Department,  
Hot Springs National Park,  
Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

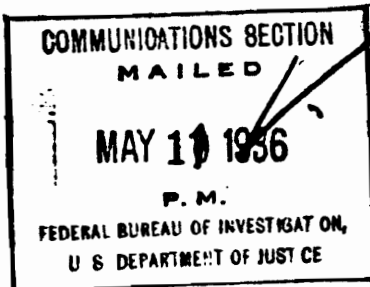
Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated  
May 2nd inquiring relative to a reward in connection with  
the apprehension of Alvin Karpis.

You are advised that no information was received  
from you by this Bureau which led to the apprehension of Alvin  
Karpis. Therefore, no claim of the reward by you can be honored.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

Mr. Nathan .....
Mr. Tolson .....
Mr. Baughman .....
Chief Clerk .....
Mr. Clegg .....
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Post Office Box 4907,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

May 2, 1936.

Honorable W. Sanders Cremling,  
Assistant United States Attorney,  
Miami, Florida.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al,  
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim,  
Kidnaping.

In compliance with the request of Mr. Walter L.  
Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, I am  
transmitting herewith one copy of summary report prepared  
by this Bureau at Washington, setting forth all the evidence  
available against Joseph H. Adams and Henry (Duke) Randall.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
MAY 2, 1936

Special Agent in Charge  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

With reference to letter of the St. Paul Office dated March 26, 1936, relative to a cover being maintained on the mail of John B. Davenport, 301 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, this is to advise that Mr. E. H. Bokholdt, Secretary to the Warden, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, advised that the only way they are able to determine who in the penitentiary is corresponding with a party on the outside is for them to be furnished with the prison number which is placed under the stamp on the envelope.

In the event this cover is still being maintained it is suggested that the St. Paul Office obtain the prison number which appears directly under the stamp on the envelope, and furnish same to the Kansas City Office, after which appropriate investigation will be conducted to determine the sender of the letter.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
May 1, 1936.

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*Advised by 012100000  
H. J. Connelley  
Chicago, Illinois*

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
P. O. Box 512,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

BRKID

Enclosed herewith is log on the telephone  
tap on J. B. Wavenport, Minneapolis, for April 25 to 28,  
1936, inclusive.

Please advise me if it is your desire that  
this tap be continued in view of the apparently valueless  
conversation carried on.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STAIN,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Telephone Tap Log maintained by Special Agent C. W. Dunker at 4128 Chicago Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minnesota on the telephone of John B. Davenport.

April 25, 1936

Re: Brekid

10:05 AM In. The Cleveland Furniture Company called [REDACTED]

11:05 AM In. Bernice called Blanche [REDACTED]

12:35 PM In. A lady called and said she [REDACTED]

1:50 PM Out. Blanche called Jack [REDACTED]

4:25 PM Out. Bernice called Alice Herman (Midway 1614) [REDACTED]

5:20 PM Out. Blanche called Jack [REDACTED]

5:25 PM Out. Blanche called (Locust 5137) [REDACTED]

6:10 PM Out. (Locust 2553) No answer.

8:00 PM In. Mrs Van called Blanche [REDACTED]

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Telephone Tap Log maintained by Special Agent C. W. Dunker at 41-8 Chicago Ave.  
No., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

12:40 PM In. One of the "Four Horsemen" (Vil Pfoiffer (?) ) called Blanche  
[REDACTED]

1:00 PM Out. Art called Alice Harman (midway 1814)  
[REDACTED]

5:20 PM In. Joan Harris called Blanche  
[REDACTED]

5:55 PM Out. Blanche called Jack  
[REDACTED]

Telephone Tap Log maintained by Special Agent C. E. Dunker at 4143 Chicago Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minnesota on the telephone of John B. Davenport.

1:00 PM In. Blanche called Berdella [redacted]  
4:00 PM Out. Berdella called Art [redacted]  
7:10 PM In. A lady called Berdella [redacted]  
7:30 PM In. A lady called Berdella [redacted]  
8:00 PM In. Libbie called Jack [redacted]

Telephone Tap Log maintained by Special Agent C. W. Duker at 4126 Chicago Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minnesota on the telephone of John R. Lavenport.

April 28, 1936

Re: Brekia.

9:45 AM In. A man called and said to tell Jack [REDACTED]

1:25 PM Out. Blanche called the laundry, [REDACTED]

3:15 PM Out. Berdella called Bernice (Colfax 9158) [REDACTED]

4:05 PM In. The dressmaker called [REDACTED]

5:25 PM Out. Blanche called Jack [REDACTED]

7:05 PM In. A man called and Jack [REDACTED]

722 Midland Savings Bldg.,  
Denver, Colo.  
April 30, 1936

Postmaster A. B. Adkisson,  
Longmont, Colorado.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter, dated April 28, 1936, in which you advise letters have been received at your office to General Delivery directed to Harry Campbell, these letters being from Box 15, Littleport, Iowa, and Strawberry Point, Iowa.

I greatly appreciate the information with reference to Harry Campbell, and suitable investigation will be conducted to determine whether the Harry Campbell to whom you have reference may possibly be the Harry Campbell for whom a reward has recently been offered by this Bureau on a charge of kidnaping.

Should you receive any further letters addressed to Harry Campbell, it would be appreciated if you would advise this office immediately.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

R. D. BROWN,  
Special Agent in Charge

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New York City  
May 2, 1936

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PHONE BREKID. RE YOUR WIRE MAY FIRST, RECORDS AMERICAN KENNEL  
CLUB SO INDEXED THAT PROBABLY TAKE THREE DAYS WORK TO GET  
REQUESTED INFORMATION. ADVISE IF INFORMATION NECESSARY AS  
KENNEL CLUB RELUCTANT TO MAKE SEARCH

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The Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. [Name] [Name]  
I am sorry to hear that  
Carmell Haines is  
a brother in Texas  
the person of [Name] [Name]  
at [Name] City Texas and  
Brother Jack Campbell  
Ranger Texas and all  
goes to show that  
Heckler for [Name] [Name]

is all ready to go  
Boy of [Name] [Name]  
Crew Boy [Name] [Name]  
their car only would  
to be just ordinary traveling  
men going to Texas Pointe mine  
a bone is close [Name] [Name]  
leave with you will able to  
capture the Robbers safe or good  
so you need not look for  
in the North or East at this time  
for you are already [Name] [Name]  
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you may get the desired information  
at the Texas Camp in [Name] [Name]  
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James H. Macken

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**H. R. ENNIS REAL ESTATE & INVESTMENT CO.**  
KANSAS CITY, MO.

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May 2 36

112 J. Edgar Hoover Esq  
Washington D.C.

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1 G. Bremer Alvin Karpis

It is a pleasure to note that the arrest of Alvin Karpis was effected without shooting, which has been so prominent in many arrests of Public enemies by your department in the past some of which seemed unnecessary

I believe the public as well as the Council will have more respect for your department if all arrests could be made as in the case of Karpis

Yours Truly  
H. R. Ennis

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J. Edgar Hoover, Esq.  
Washington, D. C.

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Yours truly,

/s/ H. R. Ennis.

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Mr. H. R. Ennis,  
H. R. Ennis Real Estate and  
Investment Company,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

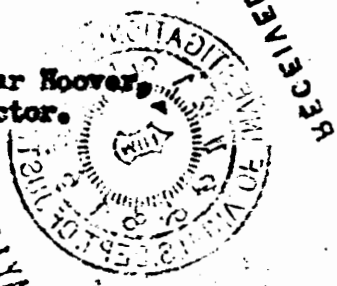
Dear Mr. Ennis:

I have your letter of May 2, 1936, in which you state that you are pleased to note that the apprehension of Alvin Karpis was made without any gun firing on the part of the Agents of this Bureau.

I want to call to your attention the fact that recourse is made to firearms in the apprehension of criminals by the Special Agents of this Bureau only in cases where it is absolutely necessary.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.



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*H. R. Ennis*  
*May 10 1936*  
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Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Special Agent A. E. Farland was confidentially advised by Warden Sanders of the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, that about ten days ago there was sent out from the penitentiary a manuscript prepared by Edna Murray, the same being the life story of Edna Murray. According to the Warden she is receiving \$150. for this story, which is to be published in the Startling Detective magazine. The Warden did not have any copy of this article.

It is possible she may have made some reference to the instant case as well as to the Hamm kidnaping case in her story. This is being forwarded for the Bureau's information.

Very truly yours,

*W. A. Smith*  
W. A. SMITH  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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PHONE. BREKID. PROCEEDING VIA AUTO FOUR THIRTY PM JACKSON MISS.  
WITH GRACE GOLDSTEIN ADDRESS ROBERT E LEE HOTEL. AGENT MAHAN  
ACCOMPANYING ME AND I AM HAVING AGENTS LACOUR AND PRATT FOLLOW  
ME TO JACKSON UNKNOWN TO GRACE GOLDSTEIN. DAMRON ACTING

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DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVES

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RETURNED TO LITTLE ROCK TWO THIS AFTERNOON WITH GRACE GOLDSTEIN  
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Post Office Box 812  
Chicago, Illinois

May 1, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the undeveloped lead set out in the report of Special Agent John B. Little, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated April 24, 1936, in which your office was requested to interview Wynona Burdette for information concerning "Dutch" Bowman.

Inasmuch as the Burdette woman is expected to be a valuable witness in the prosecution of "Duke" Randall and Joseph Adams in Florida on harboring charges, it is suggested that the interview with Wynona Burdette be postponed until after the trial of Adams and Randall. The interviewing of the Burdette woman at this time might interfere with a cooperative attitude in the prosecution of the charges against Adams and Randall.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 515,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
May 1, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

In connection with efforts being made to locate Fred Hunter through his interest in an attendance at cock fights, I have been advised by Special Agent S. K. McKee that during January, 1935, while he was assigned to investigation in this case at Miami, Florida, along with Special Agent C. G. Campbell, Agent Campbell interviewed one Henry Townsend who operates a saloon in Hollywood, Florida, for information concerning the various Subjects in this case.

It is Agent McKee's recollection that Townsend was formerly connected in an official capacity with the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, and through that medium became acquainted with Subjects KARPIS, CAMPBELL, the BARKER brothers, and WILLIAM WEAVER.

Agent McKee remembers that during conversation with Townsend he remembered that he was interested in cock fighting and mentioned the fact that there was a cock fighting pit located in or near Hollywood, Florida, where fights were then being conducted.

It is suggested that effort be made to locate and interview Henry Townsend for any information he may be able to furnish concerning the presence of Fred Hunter in or around Hollywood, Florida.

Very truly yours,

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C. W. STAN.

Special Agent in Charge.

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*Dear Sir:*

Please send me a photo  
of Alvin Karpis. I  
have a detective agency.

I am 12 years old and my  
dad was a policeman.

Yours Truly.

Lowell Hayes Jr.

1450 Lafayette St.

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Denver, Colo.

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Mr. Lowell Hayes, Jr.,  
1450 Lafayette Street,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Lowell:

Your letter addressed to the Department of Justice was received in this Bureau on May 4, 1936.

Pursuant to your request I am enclosing herewith Identification Order Number 1218 which bears a photograph of Alvin Karpis.

24757

It occurred to me you might be interested in reading literature concerning the Federal Bureau of Investigation and accordingly I take pleasure in enclosing the following publications:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Training of Personnel  
FBI Civil Identification  
How to Take Fingerprints  
The Identification Division  
Uniform Crime Reports -  
Volume VI, Number 4  
The Technical Laboratory  
Addresses delivered by the Director  
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation before the New York Herald Tribune Forum on "Youth and Crime" on March 11, 1936, and before the convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution on April 23, 1936

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Sincerely,

John Edgar Hoover,  
Director.

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POST OFFICE BOX 612  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 30, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

24756

Dear Sir:

RE: REXID

On April 24, 1936, one Ed Kushner, who resides at 8239 Douglas Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois telephoned the Chicago office that he had information of value concerning the location of Alvin Karpis. Kushner was at one time employed in the capacity of a confidential informant by former Special Agent in Charge E.H. Purvis, and as far as known no information of value was ever obtained from this individual. Kushner was at that time associated with John Hagan and Ruby Hagan, both of whom were known to your office.

Kushner when interviewed advised Special Agent R.C. Suran of this office that about three or four weeks ago he saw John Hagan in the 700 block on West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois at which time Hagan was accompanied by a man described as follows: Age approximately 40 years; height 5 feet 10 inches; hair dark; complexion dark; beard heavy; peculiarities limp with the right leg. Kushner advised that at the time he met Hagan, Hagan advised that this unknown man whose description is given above was an intimate friend of Alvin Karpis, and that he (Hagan) had just come to Chicago from his farm at Collins, Missouri where he had been hiding Karpis and this man for several weeks, and that Hagan advised that Karpis was still at his farm at Collins, Missouri. Kushner was asked why he did not immediately report this information to the Chicago office but had no explanation for not doing so.

This information is furnished you inasmuch as it is believed you might possibly be in possession of information concerning the recent activities of John Hagan.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,

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